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RUSSIA AND JAPAN HAVE HOT FIGHTS.

Battles on Land and Sea With Heavy Losses.

IS PT. ARTHUR BOTTLED?

Japanese Claim it is and the Russians Deny the Report.

FIERCE BATTLE ALONG THE YALU.

Russians Driven Back with Severe Losses and Japs Lose Many Men —Many Conflicting Reports —Russian Bravery.

On Sunday, May 1, a fierce battle was pulled off between two large armies on and along the Yalu River. The Japanese army, numbering about 15,000, crossed the river and attacked the Russian forces which nearly doubled their number, winning a decisive victory. The Russians were driven back with losses which are estimated at nearly 4000 men while the Japanese army suffered a loss of about 3000.

In their charge the Japs broke the Russian lines and forced them to retreat, but the latter pulled themselves together and made a desperate fight to hold their ground but were gradually forced back and the Japs have now secured a firm hold on the Manchurian side of the Yalu river.

There is also a report that the Japanese army captured New Chwang during this battle but this report is emphatically denied by the Russians and is not credited by the world in general.

New Chwang, which is on a river about 80 miles from the sea, could not possibly be taken except as the result of an attack of at least two or three days duration. The Associated Press has American correspondents at Chefoo, Shan Hai Kwan, New Chwang and Yin Kow, any one of whom would certainly have reported an attack upon New Chwang.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 4.—The appointments of Vice Admiral Bezobrazoff to command the first Pacific squadron, and of Vice Admiral Rojestvensky to command the second squadron are confirmed. A story is circulated here of a striking episode during the fighting on the Yala river and the desperate bravery of a Russian regiment which without artillery attacked two and one-half divisions of Japanese. The Russians, headed by a chaplain bearing a cross, fought like lions, but were crushed and almost annihilated by overwhelming numbers, the scene after the fight resembling a shambles.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 3.—3:38 p. m. —It is reported that Vice Admiral Togo made another desperate attempt to block the entrance of Port Arthur last night, but failed. Viceroy Alexieff sent out a section of the fleet to meet the attack and sank eight fireships and two Japanese torpedo boats.

The fire ships were discovered, by searchlights of the batteries and gaurdships, creeping towards Port Arthur from the east and southeast, shortly after midnight. The torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers were ordered out, but none of the larger warships. Admiral Alexieff himself went on board the coast defense vessel Otvashni. The guardships at the entrance of the harbor and the forts opened a fierce fire on the fire boats, which lasted until 5 o'clock in the morning, when the last fire ship went down. The official report does not specify the exact spot where the steamers were sunk, but it is plain that the Japanese attempt to cork the entrance of Port Arthur has again failed. The steamers were armed with Hotchkiss and Maxim guns and responded hotly to the Russian fire. The Russians succeeded in saving a few members of the crews of the fireships, including two officers.

LONDON, May 5.—The Tokio correspondent of both the Daily Telegraph and the Daily Chronicle assert that Port Arthur is effectually "corked."

No official Japanese report on the attempt to "cork" Port Arthur harbor has as yet been received but in London it is pretty generally believed that Port Arthur is entirely closed.

Notice to Advertisers.

All advertisers should remember that changes of advertisements must reach this office not later than 1 p. m. on Tuesday in order to appear in the following issue of the MINER. We must strictly enforce this rule so it would be well to paste this where the "ad man" can see it.

The Best Spring Tonic

a day's fishing, and don't forget that the best fishing tackle can be bought at

Holmes & Griffith.

A car load of barb and smooth fence wire just received at J. C. Hamlin's hardware store.

Two Ladies Injured.

Mrs. Charles McKean of Bank street and Mrs. Harry C. Wells of Cemetery street were quite seriously injured yesterday afternoon by the overturning of a carriage on King street, between Union and Mechanic streets. Mrs. Wells had her right ear nearly cut off besides being otherwise bruised and Mrs. McKean had the muscles of her right leg badly strained and bruised, a bad bruise on her forehead and numerous other bruises on her body.

The two ladies were driving around town with Mrs. Wells' family horse and as they came to this point the horse became frightened at some old shingles which were being torn off the roof of the house occupied by E. W. Strong. The ladies, who are both good horsewomen, were looking at the tenement house of Charles McKean, which has just been moved to this point, and before they realized that anything was wrong the animal sheared quickly to the lower side of the road, overturning the carriage and throwing them both out.

Men who were working nearby hurried to their assistance, caught the horse and helped the ladies from under the carriage. Mrs. Wells was able to walk to her husband's drug store, a block distant, where Dr. Hamilton dressed her wounds, and Mrs. McKean was taken in a carriage to her home where she was attended by Drs. Clark and Hamilton. Both are as comfortable as possible at this writing.

"A Chinese Honeymoon" Excursion.

The theatre excursion on the P. S. & N. R. R., to St. Marys, Tuesday evening, to see "A Chinese Honeymoon" drew a large crowd. Sixty-nine tickets were sold from the Smethport office and standing room in the one coach was at a premium. A freight train which drew into the yards and broke down just before the excursion started made it impossible to get another coach out of the switch. However the party arrived in ample time for the show.

That pretty little opera, "A Chinese Honeymoon," was well rendered by a first-class company and the large audience was well pleased, every part being heartily received. John E. Henshaw as Mr. Samuel Pineapple and Georgie Bryton as Fi Fi were the prime favorites with the audience and they received many curtain calls. The St. Marys opera house is one of the nicest in this section of the State and the management was very courteous to the Smethport visitors. On the return trip another coach was added and all were comfortable and pleased with the trip, notwithstanding the inconvenience of being crowded on the outgoing journey.

As a side attraction the loop-de-loop was a very interesting sight to the many who had never before seen this wonderful piece of railroad engineering, and the general query was, how did that runaway train ever stay on the track around those curves?

A Double Murder.

A special from Angelica, N. Y., dated May 4, says: Early this morning the bodies of John Van Gorder and his sister, Miss Farham, were found in the sitting room of their home on a farm about four miles from here in West Almond. They had been murdered in the night.

Mr. Van Gorder had been shot through the back and his sister was stabbed to death with a stiletto made from a file. The bodies were discovered by a neighbor, John Rice, who had gone to the place to borrow a farming implement.

District Attorney Church of Olean was immediately notified and is now on the scene of the murder. Robbery is supposed to have been the motive of the double crime, as the house had been ransacked from end to end. Both the man and woman were fully clothed when killed, indicating that they had not retired when the burglars got into the house.

A pile of charred papers was found in the center of the kitchen floor, evidence that the murderers tried to burn the building before they left it.

A red handkerchief was found outside the door and the officials are looking for the murderer among the laborers employed on the Shawmut extension.

The dead people are brother and sister of former Senator Van Gorder of this city.

Brakeman Injured.

George Franklin, a Shawmut Line brakeman, was seriously injured at the West Notch cut about five o'clock, Monday morning. He was running on a coal train and fell under the train while some cars were being shunted onto a switch. His right leg was nearly cut off and he was badly bruised. He was taken to Angelica and cared for by the company's surgeon. He is about 35 years old and has a wife and one child. The first report that reached Bolivar stated that his body was cut in two. It was reported at this office yesterday that he was improving nicely and would be able to be out within a month.—Bolivar Breeze.

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ANCIENT HISTORY.

Happening in McKean County in Days of Old. Taken from the Files.

Died, at Cleveland, Ohio, July 9th, Emily, wife of Dwight R. Tyler.

On Wednesday last Mr. Esik Smith was kicked by a horse, resulting in the breaking of one of his legs.

A vein of coal five feet thick has just been opened by L. Lyman and Co., on the head of Potato Creek, near J. P. Kimball's, on land known as the Seventeen Hundred Acre Tract. If anyone doubts the fact he can have those doubts removed by a visit to the above place.

Not long since the Driftwood gravel train on the P. & E. R. R., one night, ran over a man lying between the rails on the track. He seemed to be uninjured, but very sound asleep, and on being awakened showed fight and said he guessed a man had a right to lay down and go to sleep where he pleased after he had paid for his whiskey.

While engaged in drawing hay with a yoke of steers, on Tuesday of last week, John Crowley, Sr., of Annin Creek, was so badly injured that death ensued a day or two afterward. The load of hay was drawn to the barn, and when in the act of driving in Mr. C. sprang inside the door and stopped, the rack striking and crushing him against the barn beam. Mr. Crowley was a man of strict integrity and was highly esteemed by all who knew him.

Died, at Ceres, Pa., on the 2nd of August, 1878, Mrs. V. Perry Carter, in the 51st year of her age. She was born in Ceres, Dec. 18, 1822, married in the church in Ceres March 27, 1842, by the Rev. Absalom Miner, who also, being providentially present preached her funeral sermon in the same church. She always lived in Ceres except eight years in Richburg.

Married, in Smethport, Aug. 20, 1873, by Rev. C. Cornforth, Mr. William Ernas and Miss Mida Gallup, both of Norwich.

A young boy twelve years of age, Willie Voorhees, living with Mr. Daniel Crossmire, had the misfortune to break his leg below the knee last Wednesday, at a logging bee at Mr. Ira Hatts. Dr. D. V. Crossmire set the broken limb, and the patient is doing well.

Andrew Coughlin, a resident of Kane, has for several weeks being lying dangerously ill at the residence of Mr. Leroy Burlingame, in this borough, and under the treatment of Dr. S. D. Freeman. He suffered three very delicate and painful operations, but the best of surgical skill and care were of no avail, and he died Monday night.

A picnic is a good place to go to, especially if it is at Mr. Wm. F. Ormsby's. A large number of his friends were very pleasantly entertained at his house last evening. Good music and dancing, good company and a good supper were the most prominent features of the affair, and the time passed swiftly and agreeably to the guests.

Mr. Robert M. Rose, formerly of Wellsboro, Tioga county, was last week admitted to the practice of law at the Smethport bar. We understand that Mr. Rose assumes the agency of the Bingham estate in this county in connection with the practice of law.

Among the other attractions connected with the Teachers' Institute of last week, none was more interesting than the reading contest which took place Friday evening. The prize was a finely executed diploma, the handiwork of Prof. Hall, and well worth contesting for, not only as a certificate of first-class merit as a reader, but also as a work of real artistic worth. Five young ladies competed for the honor, and although but one could receive the diploma each and all showed themselves worthy of the highest commendation. Mrs. H. L. McCoy and Messrs. S. W. Smith and H. F. Barbour were the judges and finally decided that Miss Maggie Mullin was deserving of the prize, which was duly awarded. Good reading is a rare accomplishment, and we hope these contests will hereafter become a regular feature of the Institutes.

Died—On Sunday, September 21, 1873, at Ceres, Pa., Annabella, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank King, aged 25 months, 10 days.

In Smethport, Oct. 1, Mr. Rowland Burdick, aged 80 years. The deceased was one of the oldest residents of this county and were we furnished with the facts concerning his history a more extended notice would be given.

At Farmers' Valley, June 26, 1873, Capt. John Leland, aged 86 years. Capt. Lealand was born at Holliston, Me., and was formerly well known through that State and Rhode Island. He also resided in Mass., where he held a Captain's commission in the State Militia, 44 years ago. He was universally esteemed as a citizen of sterling worth and integrity.

Howe—In Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 30, 1873, Hon. John W. Howe, formerly of this place.

Chadwick's Orchestra.

This organization solicits bids for all kinds of parties, receptions, dinners, etc. For terms apply to, John E. Chadwick, Manager, Smethport, Pa. Piano furnished when required.

Lovely Spring.

I love to pluck the little buds
That come in laughing May;
But other parties nail them first,
I'm sorry for to say.
—Milwaukee Sentinel.

I love to lie down 'neath the shade
Of some umbrageous larch,
Just for to think how nice 'twould be
S'posin it wasn't March.
—Chicago Tribune.

I love to dig some bait an' go
To where the water's swishin'—
To stretch out on the bank just so
An' spend the day a-fishin'.
—Mobile Register.

I love to lie about the attuce
I'd like to do in spring,
But if I really had my way
I wouldn't do a thing.
—Newark News.

It's nice to find a bench like this
Already marked with credit;
It helps right much to fill the space
That one must daily edit.
—Buffalo News.

And those who edit, in the spring,
With irksome toil are dealing,
Real work that must be done, e'en though
One has that tired feeling.
—Bradford Era.

I'm not troubled with that popular ill
called spring fever,
And could I, in wedlock, a rich maiden,
please
For editing, I'd never leave her.

DuBois Defeated.

The Smethport Bowling Team added another scalp to their belt Tuesday evening when they took DuBois into camp by 370 pins.

Three games were rolled, Smethport winning the first by 112 pins and the second by 277 pins. DuBois won the third game by the narrow margin of 19 pins.

Smethport's score in the second game is probably the highest ever made in a match with an out of town team. The individual average was 181 1-6.

Luther Johnson was the "big ring" bowler with an average of 182 1/3. Ward Means had the high single game score—195. For DuBois Moulthrop carried off the honors.

After the match both teams repaired to the Hotel Imperial where a delicious lunch awaited them. The DuBois gentlemen were loud in their praises of the treatment accorded them by the Smethport bowlers and were very favorably impressed with the Backus Pin-Setter. The DuBois team departed for Bradford Wednesday morning where they were scheduled to roll a match with a Bradford club.

Tuesday night's score follows:

Smethport.	1st	2nd	3rd	Ave
Purtle	175	171	138	161 1/3
Johnson	187	181	179	182 1/3
Morrison	112	190	150	150 2/3
Means	153	195	152	166 2/3
Backus	194	186	126	148 2/3
Bell	168	164	142	158
Total	929	1087	887	

DuBois	1st	2nd	3rd	Ave
Lehman	139	152	171	147 1/3
Harmon	117	135	169	140 1/3
Gaglian	114	152	113	126 1/3
Hice	141	96	145	128 1/3
Moulthorp	155	181	163	159 2/3
Kessler	151	151	142	142 1/3
Total	817	810	906	

Digel-Chilcote.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized in the parlors of the Baptist church in this place at 8:30 o'clock Wednesday morning when the Rev. P. S. Calvin said the words that united for life Mr. Leo Edmund Digel of this place and Miss Lizzie Ray Chilcote, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Chilcote of Ormsby.

The marriage service was performed in the presence of a few of the near relatives of the high contracting parties, after which they went to the home of the bride where the day was spent in feasting and congratulations over the happy event. Mr. and Mrs. Digel will reside on Water street in this borough.

Mr. and Mrs. Digel come about as near being midgets as were ever wedded in this county. The groom, who is 23 years of age, is a trifle under five feet tall, and his bride, who is five years his junior, is two inches shorter than her husband. However, they are a deservedly popular young couple and the MINER joins with a host of friends in wishing them a long life of happiness.

Opening of St. Louis Fair.

Last Saturday afternoon the formal opening of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition took place with impressive exercises. The day was pleasant and nearly 200,000 persons passed through the gates. At 12:15 President Roosevelt touched the electric key in Washington which set the machinery going and with a salute of twenty-one guns by the Third Battery of the United States Artillery the fair was officially opened. Work on the exposition had been hustled through by working day and night and when the hour arrived for opening this greatest of all expositions nearly everything was in readiness. President Francis has issued a statement saying that all exhibits will be in place by May 12th and then the big show will be complete in every respect.

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PROHIBITION CONVENTION.

Large Gathering at the Court House Monday Afternoon.

A GOOD TICKET WAS NOMINATED.

Money Raised for Active Campaign—Miles Endorsed for President—Rally in the Evening.

The prohibition county convention was held in the court house, Monday, with over fifty delegates and numerous visitors in attendance. Elisha K. Kane was elected permanent chairman, and I. B. Reed, of Bradford, secretary. The county officers were re-elected, as follows: Chairman, H. B. Milward; secretary, Paul P. Lyon; treasurer, George V. Thompson. State Chairman, Chas. R. Jones, of Philadelphia, made a brief address, stating the great advance that had been made by the party in Pennsylvania in electing candidates during the last year, and complimented the local workers for their parts in the gains. Paul P. Lyon, S. Tibbitts and A. W. Eaton were elected as senatorial conferees, and H. B. Milward, A. B. Sprague and B. N. McCoy as congressional conferees. E. K. Kane, P. A. Walters and H. B. Milward were elected delegates to the national convention.

The convention adopted a strong platform asserting that the continuance of the liquor traffic is due to the license parties, and condemning the republican party for honoring liquor sellers with official positions. The name of General Miles was cheered for president. Paul P. Lyon and I. B. Reed were nominated for members of the legislature, and L. W. Howden, of Coryville, a successful cheese factory man, for county treasurer. Dr. H. A. Place, of Ceres, was named for coroner. It was resolved to raise a campaign fund of $1,000, and $650 of that amount was at once subscribed by those present. Over $1,500 was raised and expended by the McKean prohibitionists last year. Nineteen delegates were elected to the state convention, which will meet at Uniontown, June 8.

A successful rally was held in the court house at night, with an address by Rev. J. H. Hector, and music by the Jubilee Singers. It attracted a large audience. H. B. M.

Memorial Day.

Memorial Day will be properly observed in Smethport and vicinity this year. The surviving members of McKean Post, No. 347, G. A. R., have consented to take charge of the exercises once more, which is sufficient guarantee that everything will be carried out in a fitting manner. The ranks of this honored organization have been thinned out so fast in the past few years that our citizens are expected, and it is their duty to assist as much as possible in making this occasion a memorable one.

With this intention the executive committee, composed of Comrades H. M. Choate, E. R. Mayo and J. C. Cunningham, have appointed the following committees: Finance—Guy B. Mayo, R. E. Burdick, Orlo J. Hamlin and F. D. Gallup. Music—Dr. H. L. McCoy. Band—T. H. Purtle. Flowers—W. R. C., No. 23, and D. M. Bristed. Carriages—C. A. Burdick, E. W. Jones, E. T. Daly and F. J. Vickery.

Married at Limestone.

Last Sunday, when the sun shone forth in majestic splendor and the little birds were singing in the trees, Mr. V. J. Daley, a "mit operator" on the News hied himself forth to the town across the line accompanied by Miss Grace Howard of Ormsby. The services of a justice was required in the "make ready" and the name in the new directory will be Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Daley. Van was no doubt was "justified" in his action and squared himself by the "rule" that boarding house "pi" gets old by and by. Van's friends here as well as members of the craft who know him extend congratulations and hope in the "make up" in his new home that they will not be forgotten.—Mt. Jewett News. Van's friends here wish him a long, fat "take."

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining in the post office at Smethport for the week ending April 30, 1904:

—Herman Cooper, H. S. Haines, Miss Kitty Oviatt, Noum Petres, Romeo Fillippo, Rocco Coluccio, Earl Updike. Foreign—Romeo Filippo, Donato Raffaele.

Persons calling for these letters please say "advertised." All unclaimed letters are sent to the Dead Letter Office two weeks from date of advertising.

J. C. GALLUP, Postmaster.

For Sale.

Good driving horse, buggy, cutter, harness, etc., and a good cow. Inquire of Henry Brandt, Smethport, Pa.

A Late Day Poker Story.

A DuBois sport was swindled out of $250 on Saturday night and is getting very little sympathy from either his fellow sports or the better element of the place. Two men, well supplied with money, dropped into town and made the acquaintance of a young business man, who sometimes indulges in the seductive game of draw poker. The younger of the two strangers then unfolded a pretty scheme. He acknowledged that both himself and his partner were card sharps, but that the older man had not divided the winnings evenly and he wanted "to get even by swindling him." He produced $600, which he divided between himself and the DuBois man with the understanding that the local man was to play with the other sharp, without risk to himself, and divide the winnings with the younger sharp. After a short time the younger man quit the game, apparently loser, and stationed himself back of the older shark and flipped off his hand to the man of DuBois. The game went on at some length and then the older man, apparently exasperated at his ill luck, dragged out a roll of bills that would overflow a cigar box, and in the play made a bet of $250 over what the DuBois man had in front of him. The latter was prepared to lay down his hand for the want of financial backing when the proposition was made that the two hands be placed in sealed envelopes and the younger sharp hold them while the DeBoisite went to his store and got the $250. It looked like sure money and he was not long in carrying out the proposition. When the money was placed on the table the envelopes were opened, but the older shark held the "top hand." Before the local man could recover his composure, or figure out how the younger sharks had mistaken the value of the hand the man who had beaten had held, the pair of strangers, their animosities forgotten, were sitting in the same seat in a buggy and travelling as fast as a livery horse could drag them over the muddy roads.

A Coming Attraction.

The second appearance of the Ithaca Concert Company at the Y. M. C. A., of this city, was greeted last night by a large and cultured audience, which applauded with great enthusiasm each performer. This company, which is composed of four ladies, is a musical organization of splendid ability. Each member is an artist of exceptional attainments in her especial line, and together with charming personalities, they possess the grace and ease so essential to a successful public career. Miss Keeler, in "Bud's Fairy Tale" and "Ursus and Aurochs," an excerpt from Quo Vadis—two very difficult and different readings, the one humurous, the other highly dramatic, displayed wonderful feeling, sympathy and ability, and an excellent understanding of her art.

The violinist, Miss Bennett, possesses a skill with her instrument closely akin to genius. Even since her last appearance here, her rapid advancement on this favorite instrument is marked. Her playing last night was especially commendable for clever phrasing and technique, and her every appearance was the signal for an ovation from the audience.

Mrs. Booth and Miss Jarvis, the vocalists are both possessors of remarkably sweet and beautifully cultivated voices—the one contralto, the other soprano. Mrs. Booth's wonderful contralto rings clear and true, and is of a quality that is at once thrilling and sympathetic.

This excellent musical company has twice entertained large audiences in this city, on each occasion affording unusual satisfaction, and should they again appear here, every lover of good music will doubtless be anxious to hear them.—Staunton, Va., News.

Granges in McKean County.

During the past few years there has been in this county a notable increase of interest in the grange movement. McKean County now has a county grange and nine subordinate granges. Not to enter upon a discussion of the material and social advantages which may derive from co-operation and association in in grange work, there is one feature of the movement that comes directly within the purview of the press and merits special notice—namely the cultivation of a taste for reading. Primarily the grange is not a literary club, but grange communities are invariably liberal patrons of newspapers. Discussion and interchange of ideas and the attrition of mind rubbing against mind, vitalizes the intellect, quickens the intelligence and broadens the understanding. The grange community is therefore an intelligent community, a reading community. Other communities also may be all that, but the grange is sure to be. It may be argued that Patrons of Husbandry as a rule are intelligent because they belong to the grange, or that they belong to the grange because they are intelligent, but The Record is prepared to certify to the fact that as a class people who are active members of the grange are among the best patrons of newspapers to be found in the small and rural sections; and that is no mean test of their character as citizens.—Bradford Record.

Armstrong's Reliable Jewelry Store

Is, as ever, headquarters for everything in the line of

Standard Jewelry.

If you wish to be ON TIME buy your

Watch or Clock

at this reliable establishment. Prices are right.

Stock is Complete,

Goods are the Best, therefore your patronage is solicited.

M. L. ARMSTRONG,

Main Street, Smethport, Pa

HORSESHOEING.

Having opened a general blacksmith shop in what is known as the Mullin Building, at the corner of Water and Franklin Streets, I am now prepared to attend to the business in my line in a careful and workmanlike manner.

C. J. VANBLAD.

Narrow Chests.

The old theory that consumption was inherited is utterly discredited by modern medical science. The germ of consumption must be received from without. These germs are everywhere. They are constantly being received and cast out by the healthy system. It is the narrow chested whose inheritance is weakness who fall a prey to consumption because they are too weak of lung to resist and throw off disease.

Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery makes weak lungs strong. It cures obstinate deep-seated coughs, bleeding lungs, weakness, emaciation and other conditions which if neglected or unskilfully treated find a fatal termination in consumption.

$5,000 FORFEIT will be paid by the World's Dispensary Medical Association, Proprietors, Buffalo, N. Y., if they cannot show the original signature of the individual volunteering the testimonial below, and also of the writers of every testimonial among the thousands which they are constantly publishing, thus proving their genuineness.

"In the spring of 1900 I was taken with hemorrhage of the lungs, and became very weak and short of breath, lost flesh and had no appetite," writes Mr. R. L. Robinett, of Kersee, Tenn. "I was persuaded to try Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. The first few bottles seemed to do me but little good. Thought I would soon be a victim of that dreaded disease, consumption. Had almost given up in despair when my friends persuaded me to give your 'Golden Medical Discovery' a fair trial. I commenced its use. I weigh 160 pounds now, and when I commenced I only weighed 140 pounds. If any one doubts this statement I will be pleased to answer any inquiry."

Accept no substitute for "Golden Medical Discovery." Nothing is "just as good."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cleanse the clogged system from impurities.

THE UNIVERSAL BREAD MAKER

Mixes and Kneads Bread thoroughly in 3 Minutes.

Hands do not touch the dough.

Does away with hand Kneading and Makes Better Bread.

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SOLD BY

J. C. Hamlin.

McKean County Miner

Smethport, Thursday, May 5, 1904.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

—Note change in D. M. Brasted's space this week.

—Roulette is to have a new Catholic church this year.

—E. W. Strong, the plumber, has a new advertisement in this issue.

—The remains of Mrs. Susan Bedford of Bradford were brought here for burial on Thursday last.

—The new advertisement relating to woven wire fence of Redfield's Hardware will interest many.

—Dr. F. H. Williams, the eye specialist of Bradford, will be at the Hotel Imperial on Monday and Tuesday, May 16 and 17. See his large advertisement in another column.

—Wilbert Smith, aged 34 years, had one arm cut off by an engine on Tuesday night of last week near Cross Fork. He had been drinking and lay down on the track.—Ulysses Sentinel.

—Bradford will have some famous horses at the race meet there next July. One of the features of the meeting this season will be mile exhibition heats by Major Delmar and Lord Derby, both famous horses belonging to the Smathers stable.

—The Rev. John H. Hector, Mme. Abbie Wright Lyons and party were requested not to eat in an Olean hotel Saturday, and upon going to a restaurant the proprietor forcibly pulled Mr. Hector from a table. In Olean they draw the color line pretty close.

—Mrs. Tama Maker, aged 70 years, was burned to death in a fire that destroyed her home in Sabinsville, Pa., on Tuesday of last week. She lived lone in the house and before assistance came the flames had gained such headway that it was impossible to save her.

W. D. Fish, who has been managing the Cross Fork News for the past year, has bought the plant and will continue to make the News a newsy sheet. Mr. Fish is a first class printer and an able writer and has many friends in his section who will be pleased to learn of his success.

—The Potter Democrat says: A Coudersport young man, who is quite a worite in society, has stated his intenon of breaking up all the young couples f his acquaintance who are now keepg steady company. Already he has ucceeded in becoming estranged from s ow n best girl and the end is not yet.

—Dr. Girth of San Francisco has made a successful test of his dirigible balloon. His balloon arose above the city Monday, and he steered it against the wind, changed its course and again in the teeth of the gale sailed through the air, severely, a distance of five miles, alighting easily and without a hitch. This beats Prof. Langley's experiments and shows that persistence and airships are capable of rising above adverse conditions in at least some cases.

The Turkish Women Were Surprised.

Here is an amusing anecdote told by Lady Mary Wortley Montagu of her residence in Constantinople:

"One of the highest entertainments in Turkey is having you to their baths. When I was introduced to one, the lady of the house came to undress me, another high compliment they pay to strangers. After she slipped off my gown and saw my stays she was very much struck at the sight of them and cried out to the other ladies in the bath: 'Come hither and see how cruelly the poor English ladies are used by their husbands. You well boast indeed of the superior liberties allowed you when they lock you up thus in a box!'"

Why an Apple Decays.

The surrounding conditions favor or retard the growth of decay fungi. If the temperature is near freezing they are comparatively inactive, but when the room is warm and moist fruit cannot be expected to keep well. Cold storage naturally checks the decay. The ideal apple has no fungous defacements and no bruises. If it could be placed in a dry, cool room free from fungous germs it ought to keep indefinitely until chemical change ruins it as an article of food.

The Snow Leopard.

In the highlands of central Asia lives the snow leopard, which never descends below the snow line of the mountains. Its color is a gray, inclining to buff. A few large dark spots show about the lower parts and a number of smaller ones congregate about the head and the neck. The back and the sides are marked with faded-looking brown rings or rosettes. The comparatively enormous tail of the animal is fully as long as its body.

A Night Mare.

"Look here, you old fraud, that mare you sold me is blind as a bat."

"Well, well! Ain't it funny I never found that out? Ye see I allus used to drive her after dark, an' then she could see as good as any other hoss."

Refined.

Mrs. Nuritch—I think I'll take this watch. You're sure it's made of refined gold. Jeweler—Certainly. Mrs. Nuritch—Because I do detest anything that ain't refined.—Philadelphia Ledger.

A Fish That Could Talk.

A natural curiosity captured on the coast of Africa on May 5, 1851, by Signor Cavimandi exhibited in all the great cities of Europe during the years 1859, 1860, 1861 and 1862, where it was advertised as the "talking fish," was in reality a species of the African seal, well known to naturalists on account of its wonderful powers of mimicry. This particular animal was about twelve feet in length and weighed something over 600 pounds. It had a fine, doglike head and large, beautiful black eyes, which seemed to sparkle with intelligence whenever the creature was spoken to by any one. It was very docile and, when told to dance would roll over and over in its bathtub, with first tail and then head above the water, all the time chattering as though enjoying the sport as much as the spectators did. It soon learned many odd tricks and, it is claimed, learned to articulate at least three words very plainly—viz, "mamma," "papa" and "John," the last being its keeper's name. When told to pray it would clasp its flippers in the attitude of supplication and put on a sanctimonious look.

Origin of the Aztecs.

An old tradition says the Aztecs were one of seven powerful tribes that emerged from seven caverns in a region called Aztlan, or place of the heron. They wandered away from their fellows after a great confusion of tongues and settled in the region they are known to have inhabited. This tradition may be partly fabulous, but it is sure that the Aztecs settled the country before the eleventh or twelfth century.

All the tribes lived in peace for a considerable time until the strong began to encroach upon the territory of the weaker. Then a fierce war for supremacy over the whole territory ensued and lasted many years. Under the leadership of their military chiefs the Aztecs obtained control of the whole territory and established a very enlightened form of government. This was consummated in 1324 or 1325.

Detecting Guilt In Liberia.

The brown skins of the natives in Liberia are often daubed with red and white clay, the effect of the latter being rather startling. This is called dressing. Sometimes a vertical blue mark is seen across the forehead. This is a sign of freedom. The Kroomen have it more than others. They are largely employed as extra hands on the steamers. When a man is suspected of murder, theft, etc., he is made to drink sasee wood. This being deadly poison, his innocence is declared by the draft not proving fatal. It is said, however, that this is only a form. When the fatal moment arrives some expedient is generally adopted, or else it is considered that only an innocent man would be willing to approach the deadly draft.

Weddings In Korea.

At a Korean marriage every one rides on horseback and in single file. First comes a manservant, who carries in both hands an imitation life sized wild goose, covered by a red scarf. Then come the bridegroom, his friends and all the servants he possesses or is able to borrow. At the bride's house the servant first deposits the goose on a bowl of rice; then all dismount, and, leaving outside their outer robes, their hats and their boots, they enter the house and make as much noise as they possibly can. The pandemonium does not cease till the guests are paid to go away. A feast follows and then the bridegroom is taken to his bride, whom he sees for the first time.

Odd Names In Delaware.

Delaware has a curious collection of odd surnames. There is a family of Colts in Kent county. The Peppers and Mustards have long lived neighbors in Sussex, and there are Peaches in Newcastle county, inauspiciously settled north of the peach belt. One man named his three sons for the several counties of the state, and Delaware is an occasional Christian name. A girl whose name was Leonora Missouri Cannon provoked from a stranger the prompt declaration that the name was sentimental, patriotic and explosive.

Real Balm of Gilead.

The real balm of Gilead is the dried juice of a low shrub. It is said, which grows in Syria. It is very valuable and scarce, for the amount of balm yielded by one shrub never exceeded sixty drops a day. According to Josephus, the balm or balsam of Gilead was one of the presents given by the queen of Sheba to King Solomon. The ancient Jewish physicians prescribed it evidently for dyspepsia and melancholia.

Didn't Want an Elephant.

"An elephant must be a pretty expensive animal."

"Yes; I wish I had enough money to buy one."

"What do you want with an elephant?"

"I don't; I merely expressed a wish for the money."—Philadelphia Press.

Gets Nothing.

Hicks—The way Bragley talks of providing for his wife he seems to think nothing too good for her. Wicks—H'm! And the way he actually provides for her he seems to think nothing is good enough for her.—Philadelphia Ledger.

An Important Moment.

Mr. Newlywed (in the kitchen)—What are you cooking there, my dear? Mrs. Newlywed (excitedly)—Don't bother me now. There's the cookery book. I'm making recipe No. 187 on page 396.

It is a miserable state of mind to have few things to desire and many things to fear, and yet that commonly is the case of kings.—Bacon.

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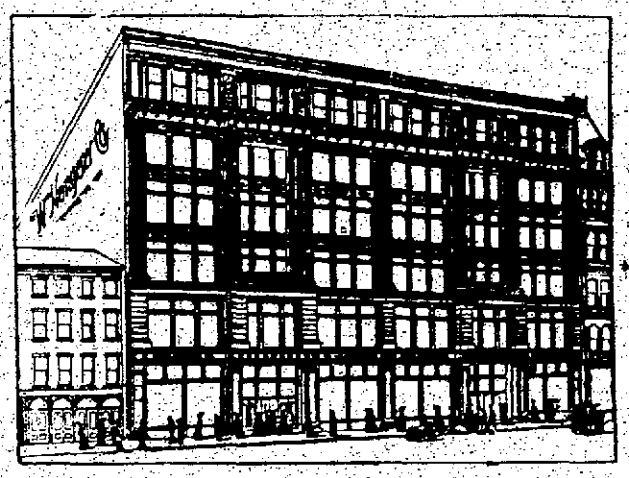

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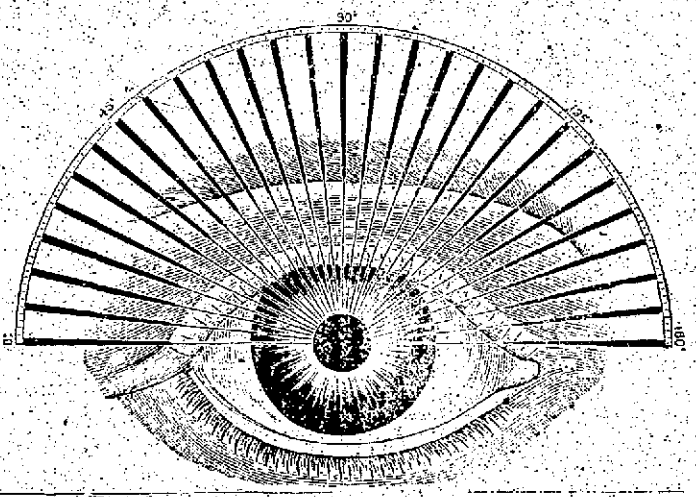

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Editor and Prop'r.

Smethport, Thursday, May 5, 1904.

THE carpenters, masons and bricklayers of a number of Northwestern Pennsylvania and Western New York cities have gone out on a strike. The strike was ordered on account of the "open policy" inaugurated on May first.

A MISSOURI legislator, by some hook or crook, got on the Exposition's opening programme for a speech. He fell asleep just before his time to speak and when he heard his name called, roused himself, rubbed his eyes, and answered "not guilty."

THE plan of having two engineers on the fast passenger trains is being urged by some of the leading newspapers and we think the suggestion a good one. Occasionally an engineer loses consciousness or dies suddenly, causing a terrible wreck, which a sound engineer could prevent. Such a wreck occurred in the West only a few days ago but fortunately the loss of life was not great.

THE Chicago speech of Mr. Bryan was received by the Democratic members of Congress as the warning of an intended bolt by the Nebraska leader from the expected decision of the St. Louis convention, according to the view of Henry Hall, who writing in the Pittsburg Times says: William J. Bryan's statement at Chicago on Saturday night that "Judge Parker is not a fit man to be nominated, either by the Democratic party or any other party that stands for honesty or fair dealing in politics," his declaration that the New York platform "is a dishonest platform, fit only for a dishonest party," and, "that no one but an artful dodger would stand upon it," have practically convinced the Democratic leaders that the Nebraska man intends to bolt the Chicago nomination. There is hardly a Democrat of any prominence in Congress who does not admit in private that if the coming campaign go the party will not only have to fight the Republicans, but also Mr. Bryan and whatever elements of the Democracy he can marshal under his banner. Judge Parker is looked upon as certain to be nominated, and the forces and sentiment which make his nomination thus certain are those which have always been unfriendly to Mr. Bryan, or which, after supporting him in 1896 and 1900, realize that the party must cut loose from him and his political views if it would hope to win. Of course, Mr. Bryan knows this as well as anyone could possibly know it and he is evidently out for a fight to the bitter end.

Washington Letter.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 30, 1904.

The second session of the 58th American Congress adjourned on Thursday, "without day" with all the simplicity, good feeling, dignity and business methods characteristic of the American people and the times in which they live. As Speaker Cannon said in his closing remarks, the "heat of the contest has died away" and both sides of the House part with mutual respect for each other. While he co-operated with the majority, he recognized that the minority had a function to perform hardly second in its importance, and so he said it ever will be while the Republican endures.

From half past ten o'clock Thursday morning until nearly two o'clock p. m. business in the House proceeded smoothly and rapidly and many bills were passed, mostly of minor importance. It was hard work to keep members in their seats, and they crowded the forum in front of the Speaker's desk like bees in swarming time. Mr. Van Duzer of Nevada made his usual rainbow speech about that State, which he claims is the most important in the Union. This set the House in good humor, and roars of laughter followed.

The only other incident of interest occurred when Mr. Lacey, of Iowa, attempted to have a bill passed reinstating the cadets at the naval academy at Annapolis, Md., who have been discharged by the commandant, Capt. Brown, for disobeying orders and lazing. A hot fire of protests came from both sides of the House. Hon. Champ Clark, Mo., exploded in a white heat of indignation, and figuratively speaking, spread himself all over the surrounding benches. There were some who pleaded for mercy for the boys, on the ground that the punishment was out of proportion to the offence. Others pointed out that a law passed by Congress should be upheld, and that if the cadets were restored to the Academy, there would be no further use in trying to suppress hazing. Finally the debate was clinched by a Congressman who announced that if the offenders were reinstated he would offer an amendment to the bill permitting the hazers who were dismissed from West Point to be returned also. So the bill was lost, and the Annapolis cadets of the highest class who maltreated the young and tender cadets of the lowest class will be forced to return to the walks of civil life.

As the moment for the adjournment of Congress drew near, the suppressed excitement was intense. Every member was in his seat, and an unusual silence followed. At 2 o'clock Mr. John Sharp Williams, leader of the minority, offered his resolution of thanks to the Speaker for the impartial manner in which he had presided during the session, and for "the sturdy common sense and genial good humor" which he had displayed. Mr. James D. Richardson, Dem., of Tenn., had taken the chair, and Speaker Cannon had modestly slipped out of the chamber. The Williams resolution was adopted by a rising vote, every member springing to his feet. A committee was appointed to hunt up the speaker, and "fetch him in." He was found out in Statuary Hall gazing at the figure of the first speaker of the first American Congress, Muhlenberg, of Pennsylvania. As he came into the chamber, leaning on the arm of Mr. Williams, there was lusty cheering and wild waving of handkerchiefs. The speaker was visibly affected, and had to struggle to control his emotions. With his brief of thanks, and the fall of the gavel at exactly twenty minutes past two o'clock, the session passed into history, and the Representatives began to sing "America," followed by the "Doxology." The speaker descended the steps of his desk, and shook hands with each member as he filed past into the cloak rooms.

The proceedings in the Senate, the last day of Congress, were not so lively or interesting as in the House. The President came to the capitol early in the forenoon, with his wife and family. While he was busy signing bills in the Executive room, Mrs. Roosevelt occupied a seat in the Senate gallery, and had the pleasure of listening to speeches by Gorman of Maryland and Aldrich of Rhode Island, against and in favor of the Administration. It is evident that there has been an attempt on the part of many Democrats to impress the people with the notion that the President is an unsafe man, and has too much influence with the party controlling Congress. Mr. Aldrich denied that Congress had been unduly influenced by anybody, and asserted that it adjourned because it had finished all the business in hand. Mrs. Roosevelt appeared to be both amused and interested in the debate. Mr. Gorman presented the usual resolution of thanks to President Frye of the Senate, and at 2 o'clock he declared the adjournment.

Senator Smoot is naturally gratified that he was not ejected at the demand of the good orthodox people. He will remain a Senator for the present. Senator McComas of Maryland and Judge O. W. Powers, of Utah, made the discovery that the Mormon church is a trust. It owns and controls great commercial institutions as well as the matrimonial market within its jurisdiction. There are good and bad trusts, and it maybe the Mormon church cannot be trusted. Senator Hopkins says that the Methodist church to which he belongs in Chicago owns a great deal of real estate and rents buildings. Trinity church in New York is one of the largest real estate trusts in America.

There is some disagreement among Congressmen as to the exact amount of money appropriated during the last session to carry on the Government. That it will approximate $800,000,000 is admitted. But this is a very large country with a never satisfied people. The largest appropriation bill passed was for the Postoffice, carrying $172,574,098. The Naval appropriation amounted to $98,605,140. And the money to be paid out in connection with the Panama canal amounted to $50,000,000.

At one time there was a rumor that the President would call an extra session of Congress to consider the case of Dr. Crum as collector of the port of Charlestown, S. C. An attempt was made during the last day of Congress to confirm the nomination, but as the Democrats promised to consume two weeks in talking about it, the job was postponed until next December. Dr. Crum may get an ad interim appointment.

Senator Hoar has the lumbago. It is announced that Senator Quay has an enlarged liver. It is now about decided that Senator Fairbanks will not accept a Republican nomination for the Vice Presidency; there is a strong sentiment in favor of Speaker Cannon for the place. Senator Scott was not able to pass his bill prohibiting the bringing of docked horses into the District of Columbia. Senators Lodge and Pettus objected to the measure.

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First—All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, situate, lying or being in the Township of Annin, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a beech Southwest corner of lot No. 217 of allotment of Keating lands in Annin Township, contracted to King and Bell and in the North line of lot No. 216 contracted to M. Ryan, West by line of lots Nos. 215, 214 and 178, 110 perches to a post; thence North 80 perches to post the Northeast corner of lot No. 171 contracted to H. C. Simpson; thence east 110 perches to a post; thence South 80 perches to the place of beginning, containing 50.1 acres, strict measure, be the same more or less, being lot No. 172 of allotment of Keating lands in Annin Township and part of Warrant No. 3456.

Always excepting and reserving a strip of ground twenty-four feet wide running from the main road that leads up Annin Creek in a Southerly direction to the North line of M. Ryan's farm for the purpose of a private road said road never to be moved from its present location. Being the same premises conveyed to the said decedent by Adelmar Kinney and wife by deed, dated May 1st, 1876, and recorded in Deed Book 25, Page 386, etc., McKean County Records.

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Second—The equal undivided one-half part of all that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, situate, lying or being in the Township of Annin, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post the Southeast corner of lands contracted to James Dunn, Jr. lot No. 319; thence South 71.6 perches to a post corner of lot of No. 344. Thence West 91.2 perches to a post, the Southeast corner of lot No. 345; thence North 40 degrees West 40 perches to a hemlock corner; thence North 5 degrees West 45.6 perches to a post corner; thence East 76.3 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 30.1 acres of land, strict measure, be the same more or less, and being lot No. 877 of the allotment of the lands of Hamlin, Hamlin and Forgot in Annin Township, and being part of Warrant 2920; excepting and reserving therefrom and therefrom all the petroleum oil and natural gas existing, being or at any time found in, or under said land, with the right of the possession of so much of the said land as may be needed for the purpose of mining and removing the said oil or gas, but subject to the payment by the parties removing said oil and gas, to pay to the owner of the lands just and fair compensation for the use of the surface of the land taken and occupied and for all damages to the surface of the land done thereby, in accordance with the provisions of a deed from J. C. Mullin, E. M. Kerns and T. F. Hamilville to J. J. Cawley, and the said J. J. Hughes, dated February 20th, 1897, and recorded in Deed Book Vol. 115, Page 466, and being same premises mentioned in said deed. Unimproved.

Third—The equal undivided one ninth part of all that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, situate, lying and being in the Township of Annin, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, (to-wit: Beginning at a beech the South-West corner of land conveyed to William Ryan lot No. 175; thence West 80 perches to a post the Southeast corner of lot No. 182; thence North 160 perches to a post the Southwest corner of lot No. 176; thence East 80 perches to a post the Southeast corner of same; thence South 160 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 80 acres of land, strict measure, be the same more or less, being lot No. 177 of the allotment of Keating lands in said Township, and parts 3456—Warrants Nos. 3457 and 3466, and being same premises conveyed to Thomas Hughes by William V. Keating et al, by deed, dated November 7th, 1873, and recorded in Deed Book Vol. "T," page 306, McKean County records. The said J. J. Hughes getting his interest in said lands as one of the children and heirs at law of said Thomas Hughes, deceased, improved and having thereon one old frame house, one frame barn, orchard and well watered.

Fourth—The equal undivided one-ninth part of the equitable estate of Thomas Hughes in all that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, situate, lying and being in the Township of Annin, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the Southwest corner of lot surveyed to Willard Cummings lot No 176; thence East 80 perches to the line of lot No. 175; thence North 47.8 perches to the North-West corner of lot No. 191; thence West to the line of John Doyle lot No. 45; thence South 5 perches to the Southwest corner of lot No. 45; thence West to the Northeast corner of lot No. 189; thence South 42.8 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 23 acres of land, be the same more or less, and being the same premises contracted to Thomas Hughes by William V. Keating et al by contract dated March 21st, 1876. The said J. J. Hughes getting his interest therein as one of the children and heirs at law of the said Thomas Hughes, deceased. Partially improved and being operated for the production of oil.

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REDFIELD'S HARDWARE.

McKean County Miner.

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport, as second-class mail matter.

Smethport, Thursday, May 5, 1904.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Galeton is to have another bank.

—See the new advertisement of the Wm. Hengerer Co.

—The new advertisement of Fry & Herzog this week is interesting.

—Born, to Col. and Mrs. Mellville M. Gillette, on Sunday, May 1, a boy.

—May started in as that month should start and once more we feel that there is something to live for.

—A new steel ceiling is being put on the jury room in the court house. Clarence Powell has charge of the work.

—Sam Parks, the New York walking delegate who was convicted of extortion recently, died yesterday morning in Sing Sing.

—The new wire fence on the lower side of the dugway, east of town, greatly eliminates the danger of travel on that highway.

—Coudersport Consistory will hold its semi-annual reunion May 25 to 27. A large class is expected to take the degrees at that meeting.

—The dance given by some of the members of the Smethport Lyceum orchestra at the hose house last Saturday evening was well attended and was a decided success.

—"Exceptionally talented as musicians and admirably trained as artists" is what has been said of the concert company to be at the Methodist church next Tuesday evening.

—Jerry Meehan of Keating Summit was arrested last week for setting forest fires. He paid a fine of $25. There are men in several sections of the county who should receive a similar lesson.—Coudersport Enterprise.

—A small wreck on the P., S. & N. R. R. between Clermont and St. Marys, in which three freight cars were piled in Monday, delayed the morning southbound passenger train several hours. No one was injured and the damage was light.

—Ralph Herzog cut his foot quite badly Monday evening while assisting his brother, W. O. Herzog, in trimming apple trees. In some manner the hatchet slipped, cutting through the shoe and inflicting a cut which necessitated taking several stitches.

—Joseph Jones was accidentally shot by Richard Bousard in the back at St. Marys on Sunday of last week. The two young men were about to try a little pistol practice and when Bousard was trying to remove the revolver from his pocket the hammer caught and the caper discharged. It is thought that Jones will recover.

—Cort Corwin caught a rainbow trout in Blacksmith Brook Tuesday, which was thirteen inches long.

—Men's summer furnishings are advertised by F. G. Lindholm & Co. this week.

—"Jonah" is the subject for next Sunday morning at the Methodist church. "Divine Impossibilities" is the evening subject.

—Clint Hall, who was injured in the P., S. & N. wreck a short time ago, is able to be about on crutches. He was down town on Monday for the first time.

—The annual election of officers of the Travellers' Club will take place on May 7th at the home of Mrs. E. R. Baker. The attendance of every member is desired.

—The law in regard to catching short fish is being pretty generally enforced throughout the State. Nearly every exchange contains reports of rich hauls by game wardens in different sections.

—Next Sunday evening Rev. P. S. Calvin will speak on that old, but ever new, subject, "The Love of God for Man." In the morning he will speak on "Man's Natural Feelings Towards God."

—The glassworkers' organization has made ready for an experiment that is an industrial innovation in its character. A plant at Brownsville has been leased and will be operated to give work to unemployed members of the union. The result of the undertaking will be watched with interest by labor and capital alike, says the Pittsburg Times.

—The Eldred Eagle contains the following about a young man well known here: While trout fishing on Moody Creek Monday, Claude Heath caught a fish hook in his jaw. It went in above the barb and he left it in until he got home in the afternoon. The wound was painful but not dangerous. It was the biggest catch Claude ever made.

—The Jamestown and Lake Erie road is to experiment with a new motive power over their road. The contrivance is practically a railroad automobile of 240 horse power, to be operated by gasoline, and is built on entirely different lines from the steam locomotive. If it proves successful it can be operated for less than five cents a mile.—Olean Democrat.

—Street Commissioner Andrew Ness is making some decided improvements on Main street. While cleaning out the ditches with the road scraper some extremely foul cess pools are being unearthed, and the question arises along with the unbearable stench: What causes these disease breeding holes? Our town is supposed to be perfectly sewered but evidently such is not the case. It is the duty of our borough officials to see that proper sewer connections are made in several places in town. They should do their duty at once.

—At St. Luke's church on next Sunday the services will be at 8 and 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The subject for Rogation Sunday is "Prayer." The lessons will be on "The Meaning and Benefit of Prayer" and "How to Pray." On Ascension Day, Thursday, May 12th, there will be celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a. m. and evensong at 7:30 p. m.

—M. H. Walsh has completed the rearrangement and enlarging of the Gold Eagle Hotel at Eldred, and now has one of the neatest and most homelike places on the road. Everything is new and up-to-date, with hot and cold water and baths, and the traveling public will appreciate the fact that he has a first-class restaurant in connection with the hotel.

—Ground was broken Monday on the corner of Second and East streets for the new $6,000 office building which will be erected by Editor J. B. Coulston. The building will be made of brick and will be two stories high with basement. The Potter Democrat, Potter Journal and Potter Gas Company will have offices in the building.—Coudersport Enterprise. We congratulate Brother Coulston.

—The supper and dance given by the Ladies' Aid Society of St. Elizabeth's church at the Lyceum last Thursday evening was a success in every way. The music furnished by the Lyceum orchestra was highly appreciated. The most excellent supper was enjoyed by many people and the dance was largely attended. The net proceeds of the dance and supper was over $75.

—A series of five denominations of postage stamps to commemorate the Louisiana Purchase of 1803, and to be known as the Commemoration series for 1904, has been issued and will be for sale during the term of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition from April 30 to December 1, 1904. These stamps are about the size of the Columbian and Pan-American stamps and are very attractive in appearance.

—That Smethport will have a base ball team this season is pretty near an assured fact, but whether or not it will be in the McKean-Potter league depends upon circumstances. A purely amateur team has been organized here and if the McKean-Potter league is to be strictly amateur Smethport will be in it and in the race for the pennant. If the league this year is to be run in the loose manner it was last year Smethport will have none of it, but run the team independent.

—C. W. and F. H. Goodyear, who are the owners of the B., B. & K. R. R. and General Superintendent A. B. Campbell, and Elisha K. Kane, president of the Kushequa Route were in Smethport and adjoining towns on a tour of inspection yesterday. They made trips over both these roads, taking in the important points and also paid a visit to McKean Brothers' mill. There is much speculation as to the significance of this visit, but no one was able to learn what their object is.

$200,000 Libel Suit.

Dr. R. V. Pierce's company, The World's Dispensary Medical Association, of Buffalo, N. Y., has brought a suit for libel against the publishers of The Ladies' Home Journal, of Philadelphia, for $200,000 damages. The sworn complaint has been filed in the Clerk's Office at Buffalo, N. Y. It appears from this that The Ladies' Home Journal in a recent number published an attack on patent medicines. This article charged that the well-known remedy, called "Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription," contained seventeen per cent of alcohol, also certain other drugs, and that these ingredients made the medicine harmful and dangerous. The sworn complaint shows that the statement is wholly and absolutely false in every particular, and that the medicine contains no deleterious ingredients whatever, and none of the ingredients stated in the article so published, being made of certain extracts of medicinal plants and roots—harmless to the most delicate constitution.

When called upon, Dr. V. Mott Pierce, an officer of the company, said: "In a recent article, The Ladies' Home Journal made this wholly unfounded attack upon our remedy. The charges made against the medicine are false, as the complaint in our suit shows. We find it hard to understand how a reputable magazine of the high standing and enormous circulation of the Ladies Home Journal should make such a damaging statement without taking pains to ascertain facts. The remedy "Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription" is so well and favorably known, and has such a wide sale, that we could not afford to allow such a charge to pass unanswered. The fact is the 'Favorite Prescription' is composed of extracts of medicinal plants, roots and herbs, which would not harm the most delicate system. It is a false and unfounded attack upon the good name and repute of our company."

A Continual Strain.

Many men and women are constantly subjected to what they commonly call "a continual strain" because of some financial or family trouble. It wears and distresses them both mentally and physically, affecting their nerves badly and bringing on kidney ailments, with the attendant evils of constipation, loss of appetite sleeplessness, low vitality and despondency. They cannot as a rule, get rid of this "continual strain," but they can remedy its health-destroying effect by taking frequent doses of Green's August Flower. It tones up the liver, stimulates the kidneys, insures healthy bodily functions, gives vim and spirit to one's whole being, and eventually dispels the physical or mental distress caused by that "continual strain." Trial bottle of August Flower, 25c.; regular size, 75 cents. At all druggists.

Personal Mention.

Mrs. C. J. Carey of Eldred is visiting in town.

Miss Orra Biever visited in Bradford yesterday.

Albert Servatius is visiting his parents in Bradford.

Dr. J. C. Brown had business in Bradford Tuesday.

Fred Tarbell of St. Marys had business in town yesterday.

Prothonotary S. E. Bell had business in Mt. Jewett on Monday.

Will Provin of Bolivar, N. Y., visited friends in town this week.

Mesdames John Clark and R. E. Burdick were Buffalo visitors this week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. McClafferty of Eldred spent Sunday with friends in town.

R. K. Goding of the Kane Republican was a business visitor in town yesterday.

Mrs. A. M. Thamm of Bradford is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Abbey.

Editor Blackman of the Port Allegany Argus was a pleasant caller at this office Monday.

J. W. Voorhees, who is employed at Johnsonburg, spent Sunday with his family in town.

Miss Larkey of DuBois passed the week with Mrs. Daniel Bacon of the Hotel Imperial.

Miss Mae Eckman returned to her home in Olean Wednesday after a visit with friends in town.

Dr. H. L. McCoy attended a meeting of the McKean County Medical Society at Bradford on Tuesday.

Miss Sheehan and Miss Anna Sheehan of Hornellsville, N. Y., were guests of their brother, D. M. Sheehan.

John B. Coulston of the Coudersport Democrat was a business visitor in town last Thursday and was a pleasant caller at this office.

Mrs. F. P. Whelan and little daughter, Lucy, of St. Marys, who have been visiting relatives and friends in town, returned home Wednesday evening.

Attorney F. E. Baldwin of Austin was a visitor in town over Sunday and on Monday was accompanied home by Mrs. Baldwin, who had been visiting her mother.

Attention G. A. R.

Headquarters McKean Post, No. 347 G. A. R., Dept. of Penn'a. Smethport, Pa., May 4, 1904.

General Order No. 1.

I. Services Memorial Sunday, May 29th, will be held in St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal church at 3 o'clock p. m. Comrades will meet at hall at 2:30.

II. Memorial Day, Monday, May 30th, the comrades will meet at G. A. R. hall at 1:30 p. m. to assist in the services for that day as prepared by the executive committee.

III. The civic and other societies of Smethport and vicinity are respectfully invited to assist in the ceremonies of the day. They will report to the marshall, B. F. Wright, to be assigned a place in the parade. By command

J. C. CUNNINGHAM, Commander.

Attest:
H. M. CHOATE, Adjutant.

Notice.

Mr. M. E. Stedman has resigned his position with the Citizens Wholesale Supply Co. and accepted a similar position with the Grand Union Tea Co. of 74 Main St., Bradford, Pa.

I have a large stock of trunks, suit cases and traveling bags at my usual low prices. Call and see them.
CHAS. LEMMERER.

OUR GREAT CLEARANCE

CLOTHING SALE

Is an event unequaled in the history of retail merchandising. Beginning to-day and to last until the 30th inst. all our

Children's and Youth's Suits

will be sold at prices that you never thought possible.

CHILDREN'S 2 and 3 PIECE
AGES 3 to 15

$1.50 Suits are	$1.00
2.25 Suits are	1.50
3.00 Suits are	2.25
4.00 Suits are	2.75

and so on.

YOUTH'S LONG PANTS
AGES 14 to 19

$5.00 Suits are	$3.50
6.00 Suits are	4.00
7.50 Suits are	5.00
8.50 Suits are	6.00

All Suits are bright, new and up-to-date.

Wm. Monheimer.

Notice of Application for Amendment to Charter.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County on the 6th day of June, A. D. 1904, at 2 p. m., for the approval and granting of certain amendments to the charter of the Kanesholm Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Church of Augustana Synod, as set forth in the petition therefore filed in said Court, agreeably to the provisions of the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29th, 1874, and the several supplements thereto.

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Extra Quality Hosiery — For All Ages — For All Purses

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Skirt Sale, 1-3 off

We place on sale this week one lot of walking and dress skirts at one-third less than regular price.

There is a good assortment of styles and colors for the early comers. Of course they won't last long at so substantial a saving. Attend to it now. Skirts from $1.00 up.

Summer Underwear

Tardy summer has at last arrived. It means a putting off of winter weight clothing and getting out the warm weather furnishings. Your underwear and hosiery stock will need replenishing. We are especially well prepared this season with dependable underwear in all grades for MEN, WOMEN and CHILDREN.

FRY & HERZOG.

JUST ONE MORE WORD

Upon That Important Question of Dairy Supplies

Made of IXXX Charcoal Tin — The LAWRENCE STAR COOLER SEPARATOR. — And No. 26 Galvanized Iron

Many people object, and with good reason, to putting water in the milk and wishing to supply those people with a perfect working, labor saving Separator, we have secured what is called

The Lawrence Star Cooler Separator

This consists of one or more cans for milk being placed inside a larger one for water.

The outside can is made of heavy galvanized iron and the milk cans of the very best tin, with a perfect concave bottom, and with a coat of odorless enamel on the outside to keep from rusting.

In using this style of separator the milk is not diluted with water but placed in the inner can and water placed in the outer can, the separation being produced by cooling. Having undiluted sweet milk for feed and for house use soon pays cost of separator. You should call and see them at

HOLMES & GILFILLAN,
THE GREAT SUPPLY HOUSE.
Lumber and Hardware

Blacksmiths' and Wagon Makers' Supplies and Fishing Tackle.

We Keep in Stock Everything for a House from Foundation to Chimney Top.

Smethport, Pa. McKean County.

MAY SALE.

During this month I will cut prices on all lines of goods to reduce stock.

Now is the time to buy and save good money. "Diamonds will be a specialty," prices guaranteed, have your money back if not satisfied. The line consists of all new up-to-date goods.

Diamonds	Watches	Cut Glass
Jewelry	Solid Silver	Bric-a-Brac
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NOW IS THE TIME TO PURCHASE YOUR NEW

NEW SPRING HAT

Everything in the latest and up-to-date Millinery is found here.

Our line of Skirts of all kinds are unexcelled in style and price.

It is now time to buy the Shirt Waist Wash Suit for Spring. We have them in a variety of styles and colors.

A special line of Infants' and Children's Dresses, Cloaks and Bonnets.

The latest in Gloves, Belts, Neckwear and Fancy Articles. Just step in and look them over. It will pay you.

MRS. A. E. HNMAN

TO EVERYBODY

Whenever you visit Bradford it is our wish that you come and see us, whether you have cause or not.

Most homes have a man or a boy about and as long as we are in the men's and boys' outfitting business we claim the right to extend an invitation to you to call on us.

New things for spring are opening daily, and now that you know our wishes come.

IKE SIMONS

46-48 Main St. BRADFORD. The Big Double Clothing Store

BUYING RUBIES IN BURMA.

A Peculiar Method of Bargaining For the Precious Stones.

The peculiar business methods of oriental merchants are illustrated by the manner of buying rubies in Burma. In the examination of rubies artificial light is not used, the merchants holding that full sunlight alone can bring out the color and brilliancy of the gems. Sales must therefore take place between 9 a. m. and 3 p. m., and the sky must be clear.

The purchaser, placed near a window, has before him a large copper plate. The sellers come to him one by one, and each empties upon this plate his little bag of rubies. The purchaser proceeds to arrange them for valuation in a number of small heaps. The first division is into three grades, according to size. Each of these groups is again divided into three piles, according to color, and each of these piles in turn is again divided into three groups, according to shape. The bright copper plate has a curious use. The sunlight reflected from it through the stones brings out with true rubies a color effect different from that with red spinels and tourmalines, which are thus easily separated.

The buyer and seller then go through a very peculiar method of bargaining by signs, or, rather, grips, in perfect silence. After agreeing upon the fairness of the classification they join their right hands, covered with a handkerchief or the flap of a garment, and by grips and pressures mutually understood among all these dealers they make, modify and accept proposals of purchase and sale. The hands are then uncovered and the prices are recorded. —Jewelers' Circular-Weekly.

JAPANESE PROVERBS.

They Are More Picturesque In Language Than Ours.

"Roses have thorns" and "Walls have ears" are as common in the Japanese speech as in our own. We say, "More haste, less speed," but the Japanese phrase is "If in a hurry go round." In this country we very often remark that "accidents will happen in the best regulated families." The Japs, on the other hand, with an eye to the picturesque, vitalize it, so to speak, in their "Even a monkey sometimes falls from a tree." One of our useful English sayings is "Those who play with edged tools must expect to cut their fingers." In expressing a similar thought the Jap goes in one better, so far as picturesqueness is concerned. He says, "If you keep tigers you are likely to have trouble." One of our standard maxims is to the effect that "oil and water won't mix." The Japs have not improved on this. "You can't rivet a nail in a custard" is their way of putting it. "The lotus springs from the mud" is their poetical expression of the common thought that "out of evil good may come."

What could be more suggestive and at the same time so poetic as their "Scattering a fog with a fan?" When a Jap undertakes the impossible his neighbors do not scoff at him or mock him. They simply say that he is "building bridges to the clouds" or that he is "dipping up the ocean with a shell." Failure in such a country must mean delightful success in our more material land. "Thine own heart makes the world" is worthy of Emerson or Browning.—Rochester Post-Express.

The Defiant Drummer.

"It was right funny," said Uncle Hosen, telling of the orchestral concert. "A smart Aleck lookin' feller set in the middle an' all ter quiet like the little man at the end o' the line hit the big drum a sassy rap. Well, the smart Aleck feller shakes a little stick at the drummer, an' what does he do but hit her up a-ag'in just ter show he was as good as the next man. An' by Jinks, he didn't take no back talk, or, rather, no orders from the smart Aleck man, because he just kept a-whackin' that big drum in spite o' the boss' a-shakin' that stick, as if for say he'd catch it if he didn't quit. Yes, sir, I gloried in his spunk, if he was little. An' at the end o' the tune he whooped it up on that drum harder than ever. A little man for nerve every time."

Right and Left Handed.

It is curious to notice the vagaries of humanity in cases where no hard and fast line has been already drawn. Although most right handed persons put on their coats left arm first, a considerable percentage thrust in the right first. Soldiers fire from the right shoulder, but sportsmen are found who prefer the left. In working with a spade a proportion of right handed men grasp the spade with the left hand and push with the left foot and right hand; though when using an ax the same individuals would grasp farthest down with the right.—Chambers' Journal.

A Korean Custom.

In some parts of Korea, and among some Korean families, it is the custom for bridegrooms to dwell under the roofs of their fathers-in-law until the first son has been born and attained to years of manhood. Should any Korean, however, stay in the house of his bride's people for more than three days after his wedding, he is compelled to remain for an entire year.

Too Violent an Innovation.

"You told me you had an original idea in your novel."

"I had," was the reply, "but the publisher discovered it in the proof sheets and made me take it out."—Washington Star.

When a man marries in some other church everybody wonders whether he will go with his wife or she with him. —Washington (In.) Democrat.

THE MINER and TRIBUNE FARMER one year for $1.25 IN ADVANCE.

Portuguese Characteristics.

The men of Portugal are as fond of show as are the women. Their fingers are nearly always loaded with rings, and about their bodies, which are often as round as the bowls of their tobacco pipes, hang chains as thick as ropes, from which are suspended bunches of trinkets.

The Portuguese dandy is very fond of anything that will attract public attention to his much esteemed person. Above his snowy vest he wears a cravat of gleaming colors, while in his buttonhole is stuck a full blown rose of inordinate size. I think I am pretty safe in saying that most of the promenaders I have seen strutting about in the chief thoroughfares on Sunday with a riding whip in their hands and handsome spurs on their heels have never set foot in the stirrup. The spur is to them a sign of nobility which they arrogate to themselves—a relic of the privileges of the old chivalry.—London Standard.

Retailers of Fine Sawdust.

In the shop of a cabinetmaker in New York a sign announces "sawdust for sale." There is no evidence anywhere of the bags of coarse pine sawdust such as is used in butchers' shops, markets and saloons.

"We don't handle that stuff," said the proprietor of the shop. "Our specialty is in the sawdust of fine woods, such as mahogany, boxwood and sandalwood. We sell sawdust by the ounce or the pound, not by the bushel. The sawdust of fine hard woods brings good prices. There are about twelve varieties of it, and each has its appropriate use.

"Boxwood sawdust, the most expensive of all, is used by manufacturers to burnish silver plate and jewelry. Sandalwood is used for scent bags and for the preservation of furs. There is no waste of sawdust in our business." —New York Press.

Where Rubies Come From.

The ruby mines in Burma are of four kinds, the most valuable being gullies formed by the action of water on the side of the hills. Next to these come the shafts or tunnels sunk in the hillsides; and then the wells. These last are sunk in the valley, and are of two sorts. The deep wells are sunk to fifteen or twenty feet, and the shallow ones only reach to four feet, where the first ruby bearing stratum is found. Rubies, or rather red stones of all sorts, are offered for sale in large numbers and at every conceivable price. The inhabitants are well off, the miners being either Shans, in their enormous broad brimmed straw hats and baggy trousers, or Chinamen in indigo blue.

A Marvel of Wood Carving.

One of the greatest works of Henry Vorbruggen is the carved pulpit of the grand parochial church at Brussels. The whole design is an allegorical scene. At the base are Adam and Eve, life size, expelling the angel, while grim Death himself may be seen hovering in the rear. The first pair bear upon their shoulders a hollow globe, the cavity being the place where the preacher stands while delivering his sermons. From the globe rises a tree sustaining a canopy, which in turn supports two figures—one of an angel and the other a female representing Faith. Above all this are the Virgin and the infant Jesus crushing the serpent's head with a cross.

One Way to Break Glass.

It is scarcely credible, but it is a fact, that a glass can be broken by the voice. If you strike a thin wineglass while you hold it by the stem it will emit a certain note—in most cases a pretty deep one. On approaching the glass rapidly to your mouth and shouting into it the same note as loudly as possible, the vibrations of the glass being thereby extended, it will be shivered into fragments. This used to be a favorite experiment of Lablache, the renowned basso, who, when in company with his friends, thus broke one after the other all the glasses that were handed to him.

Our Oldest Bit of Literature.

The book of Job, as it is incorporated in the Bible, is believed to be the most ancient literary work in existence. It is known to have been written prior to the Pentateuch and prior to the promulgation of the law. In profane literature the poems of Homer are the most ancient that have come down to our day, though the names of others still older are in existence. The Pentateuch was written about the year 145 B. C., and the Homeric poems about 640 years later.

The Heavens Seen From the Sea.

Every one who has been much at sea knows something of the peculiar splendor of the heavens when beheld from the deck of a ship. Celestial phenomena seem to possess an unusual impressiveness when viewed under such circumstances. The clearness of the air in fair weather and the flatness and distance of the horizon tend to heighten this effect.

Applying Her Information.

"Mamma," queried little Florence, "should I say pants or trousers?"

"Trousers, my dear," replied her mother.

"Then," said Florence, "I must give Fido some water, for he trousers just awfully."

Grotesque.

Dumley—Smith is an awful coward. Why, he looks afraid of his own shadow. Lumly—I don't wonder at it—if his shadow looks anything like the original!

Think three times before you speak and then talk it over with your wife. A good wife has more wisdom than the supreme court.—Schoolmaster.

SOME FOOLISH PEOPLE

Allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say, "Oh it will wear away," but in most cases it will wear them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 25c and 50c. Trial size free. At all druggists.

THE ARAB HORSE.

He Is Virtually a Pony, but a Remarkably Sturdy One.

The Arab is virtually a pony, standing 14.2 hands, oftener under than over. He is not fast, even at the gallop; indeed, he is slow. He is a very poor trotter both as regards speed and action, a bad hack, and cannot walk without continually sticking his toe in the ground. He is totally unfitted for harness and is uncomfortable to ride, except at the gallop; this is his natural gait, and in it his movement is free, smooth, delightful and easy. As regards his general makeup and anatomical formation, he is perfect, and his constitutional and physical soundness is wonderful. He has great bone substance, vigor, resolution, strength, staying powers, courage, boldness, sobriety, the soundest legs and feet and extraordinary lung power, which is due to the atmospheric conditions and free life to which he has been used from time immemorial; extraordinary eyesight, good temper, mild manners, tractability, instinct and sagacity, and for his size is a wonderful weight carrier.

It is this extraordinary constitution and anatomical perfection, and this magnificent courage, nerve and mettle of the Arab which have made the thoroughbred of today what he is, and not his speed, which has only existed in songs.

The Arab attaches far greater importance to bottom, speed and sobriety than he does to what might be called "artistic beauty." Of such a horse he will say: "Let us not be in a hurry. Let us see him work. He might be only a cow, with a lion's hide on his back." When you consider what their idea of bottom is, it may be sufficient to know that it means a horse should be able to travel with a man on his back, a change of clothing, food for rider and horse, his gun, flag, etc., from sixty to ninety miles a day for five or six days in succession, and after a couple of days' rest be able to repeat the task, and this under a sweltering sun. Further, it is not uncommon for pure Arab horses to cover from 125 to 150 miles in the twenty four hours, and this without food or water until his journey is finished, and then the Arab, when he dismounts, wants to see his horse shake himself and neigh loud and shrill and paw the ground for his food.—Illustrated Sporting News.

English Axes at Hastings.

At the battle of Hastings the corps d'elite of the English army were encountered with sword and shield, and in addition to this they had hung "great hatchets on their necks, with which they could strike doughty blows." Whenever a special deed of valor is credited to an Englishman in that battle, with one exception, it is due to the ax he bears. And now what were these axes that dealt such deadly destruction on the Norman knights? As to this we are left in no doubt. Time after time does Wace call them "great axes." The head alone in one instance was a foot in length. And the Bayeux tapestry out of about twenty axes represents all except some three as having long handles. Hardly ever do we find in the tapestry the short ax for one hand.—Contemporary Review.

Administering Ether.

The most common mistake made by beginners in the administration of ether is that of forgetting to lessen the proportion of the substance when full anesthesia is established—that is, continuing to make their patients respire an atmosphere as highly charged with its vapors as when getting them under its influence. It is a matter of surprise to physicians how very little ether will often suffice to keep a patient well under its influence toward the close of an operation, and this small quantity will always postpone vomiting until the operation is completed.—Medical Review.

Glass Cups.

The first glass cups were made at Alexandria. Some were colored like Bohemian glass and decorated with glass pastes, imitating precious stones and cameos. Some were opaline, others clear as crystal and still others formed of opaque layers welded together like the famous Portland vase, in which the white upper layer had been cut away like that of a cameo, leaving a blue ground around the figures.

The Serious Poet.

"Sometimes," said the poet, "I am almost afraid that I take myself too seriously."

"Oh, well, never mind," replied his kind hearted friend, "there's no harm done if you do. Everybody else regards you as a joke."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Same Thing.

"He's employed by the railroad company now, I understand."

"Yes; he has charge of the puzzle department."

"The what?"

"He makes out the time tables."—Philadelphia Press.

He Advised Him.

Hadley—He asked me to give him a little advice. Belding—And you gave it to him? Hadley—Oh, yes; I didn't care much for his friendship, you know.—Boston Transcript.

A Use For Her Money.

Felicia—Do you buy many books, Patricia? Patricia—Dear me, no. It takes every cent of my pin money for cab hire and beauty culture.—Indianapolis Journal.

Refuse not to be informed, for that shows pride or stupidity. — William Penn.

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Basking in the Sun.

"Basking in the sun" is in itself of real and considerable benefit, and it is no compliment to our human intelligence to find that cats and dogs understand that fact much better than we do. The love of sunshine is naturally one of our strongest instincts, and we should be far healthier and happier if we followed and developed it instead of practically ignoring and repressing it. How a sparkling sunny morning exhilarates us and makes us feel that "it's too fine a day to spend indoors!" And yet how few holidays are taken for that reason!

The wealth of the sunbeams is poured out lavishly all around us, and we turn from it to struggle for a few pitiful handfuls of something else that is yellow and shining, but not half so likely to bring us happiness and often has strange red spots upon it. Give nature a chance, and we shall find that there is more than a mere fanciful connection between natural sunlight and that "sunny" disposition which, after all, is the true "philosopher's stone."

Legends of the Owl and Raven.

In some parts of Europe an omelet made from the eggs of the long eared owl is believed to be an effective cure for drunkenness.

In Germany the raven is supposed to be able to procure a magic stone that gives invisibility to the wearer. It is apparently not a simple matter to obtain, for in the first place, after discovering the nest, you must satisfy yourself that the old birds are at least over a century old. Then you climb to the nest and must either take out an egg, boil it hard and replace it, or if there should be young you must kill a male nestling—it must be a male—and replace it also. After this the spot must be most carefully marked, for the parent bird, if he is old enough, will return with the magic stone, which will render the nest invisible, and it is apparently from the spot where you judge the nest ought to be that you must pluck the prize.—Westminster Gazette.

Nicknames of Kings.

France has been a seesaw nation—first up, then down—and its position may be reckoned by the kings it had. One was St. Louis, and another was Hutin, meaning "headstrong or mutinous." Another king was the Long, while his successors were Handsome, Fortunate, Good, Wise, Beloved and Affable. France must surely have been on the top then and have progressed further when two kings were respectively called the father of his people and the father of letters.

Denmark has had a most curious array of sovereigns: the Blue Tooth, Forked Beard, Simple, Hungry, Hare-foot, Lamb, Plous and Cruel being among them. This latter, who was Christian II., belied his real name by gaining the additional title of the Nero of the North. There was probably little happiness in Denmark when he sat upon the throne.

London's Cockney District.

"I am a cockney, born in the sound of the great bell of Bow, in London," said an Englishman. "I am a genuine cockney. That term can be properly applied only to a native of east London—a man who was born within the sound of the bell of Bow. The district is composed of foreigners, who take refuge there while fleeing from countries where they do not have liberty. This floating population, composed of anarchists, nihilists, and, in fact, every one who cannot live elsewhere, composes the largest proportion of the inhabitants of the true cockney district."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

His Culinary Qualification.

Sir Horace Plunkett once told a story of his ranching days in the west. Riding into camp one evening he turned his horse loose and got some supper, which was a vilely cooked meal, even for a cow camp. Recognizing in the cook a cowboy he had formerly employed, Sir Horace said to him: "You were a way up cow hand, but as a cook you are no account. Why did you give up riding and take to cooking? What are your qualifications anyway?" "Qualifications!" he replied. "Why, don't you know I've got varicose veins?"

Naval Torpedoes.

Torpedoes for the destruction of vessels were first used in the spring of 1861 by the Confederates in the James river. In 1865 the secretary of the navy reported that more ships had been lost by torpedoing than from all other causes. General Rains, chief of the Confederate torpedo service, put the number at fifty-eight, a greater number than has been destroyed in all the wars since.

A Gastronomic Feat.

Here is an extract from a recent novel: "Husband and wife ate on together in silence. There was manifestly an ill feeling between them. The husband devoured a plate of soup, half a fish, a piece of roast beef and a slice of plum pudding without ever once opening his mouth."

A Smart Witness.

Lawyer—Do you swear positively that you know more than half this jury? Witness—Yes, sir, and now that I have taken a good look at 'em I'll swear that I know more than all of 'em put together.

Nature and Woman.

"Nature never grows old," said Barlow.

"Yes, she does," said Hawkins, "but she is enough of a woman to be able to conceal her age effectually."

Facts About Brass.

She—Is brass manufactured or is it a product of nature? He—Both. She—I don't understand. He—Some of it is made and some of it is born.

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Auditor General—E. B. Hardenbergh.
Sec'y of Internal Affairs—J. S. Brown.

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State Senator—Myron Matson, Bradford.
Members of Assembly—J. W. Campbell, Kane; J. M. McElroy, Bradford.
District Attorney—John P. Melvin, Bradford, Pa.
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Prothonotary—S. E. Bell, Smethport.
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Clerk of Courts—W. H. Morrison, Smethport.
County Treasurer—A. W. Boyd, Bradford.
Commissioners—Geo. Griffiths, Kane; J. A. Peterson, Bradford; W. P. Walsh, Smethport.
Com'rs Clerk—S. D. Weaver, Kane.
Jury Commissioners—S. M. Lovo, and Leon Curtis.
Auditors—Oscar Engstrom, Smethport; B. G. Bartle, Port Allegany; James Devlin, Bradford.
Coroner—B. H. Hall, M. D., Bradford.
County School Superintendent—J. E. Myers, Smethport.

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Burgess—Charles McKean.
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Assessor—J. A. Holder.
Auditors—G. H. McCoy, C. C. Choate.
Judge of Election—G. A. —nekus.
Inspectors of Election—C. H. Burlingame, F. F. Freeman.

Lodge Directory.

F. & A. M.—McKean Lodge, No. 388, meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, at 7:30 o'clock p. m. at Masonic Hall, Main street.

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I. O. O. F.—Smethport Lodge, No. 389, meets Friday evenings at 8:00 o'clock in I. O. O. F. Hall. Will work Initiary degree first meeting of each month; 1st degree on second; 2nd degree on third, and 3rd degree on fourth meetings.

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G. A. R.—McKean Post, No. 247, meets first and third Thursday evenings each month at 7:30 o'clock, in the Odd Fellows' Hall.

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W. H. MORRISON, R. K.

L. O. T. M.—Brown Hive, No. 48, meets in I. O. O. F. Hall, Thursday afternoons.

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JAMES LYNCH, Pres't.
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L. F. WILCOX, S.
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Churches.

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Episcopal—J. Heber McCandless, Rector. Services every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Additional service at 3 a. m., except on first Sunday of each month. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.

All Saint's Memorial Chapel—East Smethport—Rev. J. Heber McCandless, Rector. Divine services every Sunday at 3:15 p. m. Sunday School 3:30 p. m. The Ladies' Guild meets every Friday at 10 a. m.

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church.—Rev. P. Cosgrove, Pastor. Mass at 11 a. m. Service at 11:30 a. m. Sunday School at 3 p. m. Services on each Sunday.

First Baptist Church.—P. S. Calvin, Pastor. Preaching each Sunday at 11:00 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Junior Endeavor at 3 p. m. Senior Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 7:30. Ladies' Aid Society meets each Friday afternoon in the church building. Women's Missionary Circle meets the first Tuesday evening in each month. The pastor preaches in the East Smethport Chapel each Sunday afternoon at 2:30. All are invited. Seats free.

Colegrove.—Rev. W. F. Tubbs, Pastor. Services every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Clermont Church.—Rev. W. F. Tubbs, Pastor. Services every other Sunday at 3 p. m.

TRAVELER'S GUIDE

Pennsylvania

RAILROAD

BUFFALO AND ALLEGHENY VALLEY DIVISION.

Time Table—Taking effect Nov. 29, 1903.

TRAINS LEAVE SMETHPORT.

Buffalo Express, daily except Sunday, 9:12 a. m.
*Buffalo Mail, daily except Sunday, 2:34 p. m.

*Train leaving Smethport 2:34 p. m. connects at Olean with Chautauqua Division for Allegany, Salamanca, Oil City and Pittsburg.

For Clermont:

Train 122, week days..... 11:00 a. m.
Train 126, week days..... 7:12 p. m.

For Larabee, Port Allegany, Coudersport and points south:

Train 121, week days..... 9:12 a. m.
Train 123, week days..... 2:34 p. m.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE.

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION EASTWARD.

8:20 a. m.—Train 12, week days, for Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Hazleton, Ottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:23 p. m., New York 9:30 p. m., Baltimore 6:00 p. m., Washington 7:15 p. m. Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport to Philadelphia, and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

12:12 p. m.—Train 8, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:32 p. m., New York 10:25 p. m., Baltimore 7:20 p. m., Washington 8:15 p. m. Vestibuled parlor cars and passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

3:12 p. m.—Train 6, daily, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 4:23 a. m., New York 7:23 a. m., Baltimore 3:20 a. m., Washington 8:30 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

10:35 p. m.—Train 4, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:32 a. m., New York 9:33 a. m., week days; 10:38 a. m. Sundays, Baltimore 7:25 a. m., Washington 8:30 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Washington and passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore.

12:16 a. m.—Train 14, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia a. m., New York 9:33 a. m., week days. a. m. Sundays, Baltimore 8:30 a. m., Washington 8:30 a. m. Vestibuled Buffet sleeping cars and passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

WESTWARD.

3:10 a. m.—Train 9, daily, for Erie, Ridgway and weekdays DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations.

10:25 a. m.—Train 5, daily for Erie and week days for DuBois and intermediate stations.

6:20 p. m.—Train 61, week days, for Kane and intermediate stations.

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10 34	Woodvale	11 02
10 40	Clermont	11 00
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Connections are made with train 3, leaving Johnsonburg at 11:52 a. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at 3:50 p. m. and at Ridgway with train 4, leaving Ridgway 12:10 p. m. for DuBois, Red Bank, Pittsburg and intermediate points, and train 6, leaving Ridgway at 3:20 p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

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Bradford, Bordell & Kinzua Railway.

Time Card in Effect May 17, 1903.

Trains leave Smethport as follows:

9:00 a. m.—Daily except Sunday for Ormsby, Simpson, Davis, Aiken, Kinzua Jct. and Bradford, connecting at Bradford with Erie R. R. for all points east and west. And for Mt. Jewett and Kane, connecting at Kane with P. R. R. for points east and west.

10:15 a. m.—Train 14, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:32 p. m., New York 9:33 a. m., week days. 8:30 a. m. Sundays, Baltimore 7:25 a. m., Washington 8:30 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Washington and passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore.

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The Pittsburg, Shawmut & Northern R. R.

Effective Dec. 27, 1903.

Trains leave Smethport as follows:

7:00 a. m.—For Mt. Jewett (arr. 7:50 a. m.) connecting with B. R. & P. Ry. for Johnsonburg (arr. 9:25 a. m.); Ridgway (arr. 9:38 a. m.); Brockway (arr. 10:43 a. m.) and Punxsutawney (arr. 11:30 a. m.

9:00 a. m. for Eldred (arr. 9:32 a. m.), Olean (arr. 10:15 a. m.) connecting with P. R. R. for Buffalo (arr. 12:00 p. m.).

12:32 noon for Mt. Jewett (arr. 12:45 p. m.), connecting with B. R. & P. Ry. for Johnsonburg (arr. 1:31 p. m.); Ridgway (arr. 1:45 p. m.); DuBois (arr. 2:55 p. m.) and Pittsburg (arr. 6:35 p. m.)

2:31 p. m. for Eldred (arr. 2:53 p. m.); Olean (arr. 3:25 p. m.); connecting with P. R. R. for Buffalo (arr. 6:10 p. m.); Bolivar (arr. 4:26 p. m.); Friendship (arr. 5:01 p. m.); Angelica (arr. 5:31 p. m.); Hornellsville (arr. 7:10 p. m.); Wayland (arr. 7:36 p. m.), connecting with D. L. & W. for all points east.

5:00 p. m. for Larabee (arr. 5:32 p. m.), connecting with P. R. R. for Port Allegany (arr. 7:05 p. m.); Coudersport (arr. 7:35 p. m.); Endeavor (arr. 8:05 p. m.).

7:22 p. m. for St. Marys (arr. 9:10 p. m.); making close connection with P. R. R. train No. 4 for Harrisburg (arr. 4:15 a. m.); Philadelphia (arr. 7:17 a. m.); New York (arr. 9:45 a. m.).

Trains arrive: 8:50 a. m. from Mt. Jewett with connection from Kane; 9:30 a. m. from St. Marys 12:05 noon from Hornellsville, Wayland, Angelica, Friendship, Bolivar and Olean; 2:17 p. m. from Mt. Jewett, with connection from B. R. & P. Ry.; 6:30 p. m. from Larabee; 7:22 p. m. from Olean and Eldred.

N. B.—All trains daily except Sunday.

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St. Marys, Pa.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY R. R.

Railroad Time Table, taking effect Monday, March 18, 1901.

Ar. Eastward. A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	Ac	STATIONS.	Dp	Lv Westward. A.M.	P.M.	A.M.
8.05	7.05	2.10		Ulysses		7.20	2.25	9.10
7.50	6.53	2.10		Crowell		7.37	2.32	9.19
7.46	0	1.57		Carpenter	0	7.34	2.34	9.22
7.40	6.48	1.53		Perkins		7.32	2.37	9.26
7.37	6.45	1.50		New Ed June		7.37	2.42	9.32
0	0	1.45		Newfield		7.41	2.46	0
7.05	6.36	1.41		Gold		7.44	2.49	9.40
7.00	6.30	1.35		Raymond		7.49	2.45	9.47
6.45	6.21	1.24		Seven Big's		8.01	3.06	10.02
6.40	6.17	1.20		Coleslaw		8.04	3.09	10.10
6.25	6.10	1.12		Brinks		8.12	3.17	10.20
6.15	0	1.05		N. Couds'pt	0	8.26	3.26	10.35
6.10	6.00	1.00	Dp.	Ar.	8.25	3.30		10.45
A.M.	A.M.	P.M.		Coudersport.				P.M.
4.30	7.45	12.15	Ar.	Dp.	8.38	6.00		1.20
4.00	0	12.13		Hammond	0	0		0
4.05	7.38	12.09		Olmsted	8.33	6.05		1.31
3.59	7.33	12.05		Mina	8.37	6.10		1.37
3.45	0	11.59		Knowlton	0	6.17		0
3.40	7.25	11.55		Roulette	8.47	6.21		1.51
3.30	7.16	11.47		Burtville	8.54	6.28		2.01
3.23	0	11.41		Coleman	0	6.34		0
3.20	0	0		Chamberlins	0	0		0
P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	Ac	Ar.	Dp	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
1.15	7.05	11.36		Pt. Allegany	9.03	6.40		2.25

9—Trains do not stop.

Connections at Ulysses with N. Y. C. & H. R. R.; at Port Allegany with W. N. Y. & P. Ry. and at Newfield Junction with B. & S. R. R.

Trains run on eastern standard time.

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The Man Among Them

By IRVINE PARDEE

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It was a cold winter in school district No. 4, township of Ingham, county of Hillsdale, but they were making it pretty warm for the schoolma'am just the same. Miss Lee had come from a city fifty miles away, bringing the very best recommendations, and had taken hold of the school to the satisfaction of everybody. The trouble was that she was twenty years old and good looking. She could not help being good looking any more than a dozen farmer girls in the district could help their plain faces, but scarcely a fortnight had passed when mothers and daughters were sneering and backbiting.

No homely woman, be she married or single, can help being jealous of a handsome one. In the society of a city the homely one has the sense to

"Miss Lee, I've come to take you home for the night," said Abner.

conceal her feelings, but in the country she attends a quilting or a dance purpose to spoil her night. If the widowers, bachelors and young men had stood aloof there would have been no gossip or hard feelings, but that was just what they wouldn't do. They admired, praised and petted, and, though not encouraged in the slightest by the little schoolma'am, they got her into a peck of trouble.

The thing may be said to have started with Uncle Ben Driggs, chairman of the school committee. He was a widower, sixty years old, and had been courting the Widow Hastings, five years his junior, but what does he do but offer the schoolma'am his calloused hand and aged heart before he had hardly got the school organized.

She promptly refused him, but the Widow Hastings was her enemy from that time on, and Uncle Ben heard gossiped about without coming to her defense. In the course of six weeks Miss Lee had turned down another widower and two young men and thus made more enemies. Several engagements were in danger of being broken because Jim, Joe or John could insist that the teacher was the ablest daisy that ever called up a lass in geography. The girl knew that she was making enemies and being slurred and slandered, but as it was not her fault and she had no remedy she maintained silence. This objected her to criticism again. As Hannah Jones remarked at Mrs. Doolittle's quilting bee:

"If she isn't trying her best to capture a man of some sort, why don't he come right out and say she wouldn't marry the best one that ever wore duds, same as I do? I tell you she is sly and deceitful, and she'll separate more'n one lovin' couple before she gets through with it."

Before New Year's came there was only one marriageable man for four miles around who hadn't offered him self at least once. That was Abner Joy, a man of thirty, who had a farm of his own and a sister for a housekeeper. He had admired, but so secretly and modestly that Miss Lee had not suspected. He looked upon her as a superior being who could not be approached by such as he.

No one mistrusted his feelings until the evening when there was a parting at Uncle David Saunders'. The gathering included over forty people, old and young, and, as it was Miss Lee's week to board at the Saunders house, she ought to have been there. She was not, however, and, though the night had come on with a storm, nobody worried about the schoolma'am, not even Abner. When he failed to find her there he argued that she had stopped at a nearer place. In the gathering were several girls and women with spiteful tongues and several young and old men who wanted to get even, and so after an hour or so, when Miss Lee's name came up, Innuendo was busy in a moment. It was noticed that Abner Joy turned red and white and pitched uneasily, but it was quite ten minutes before he stood up and said:

"I see that Miss Lee is not present here this evening. Does any one know why?"

"She's probably hunting for a man," replied one of the girls, with a giggle, while Joe Allbright led the haw-hawing among the young men.

"Yes, she may be," said Abner as he looked around, with a dangerous gleam in his eyes, "but will Joe Allbright, Tom Smart and William Hall step outdoors with me for a moment?"

They followed him out, wondering what was up, but they were not long left in doubt. He turned upon them and gave the whole three a beautiful drubbing before they hardly knew that a fight was on. Then he called out Uncle Danforth, old bachelor, both of whom had been turned down, and, shaking his fist under their noses, he said:

"Mind you, this talk about Miss Lee has got to stop. The next man who even sneers at her has got to settle for it with me."

That didn't complete his work, however. He entered the house and said to the women:

"A pretty pack of wolves you are! You are gossiping about a woman whose shoes you are not fit to tie. It's gossip, slander and lies, and every one of you knows it, and I tell you I'll not stand any more of it. I can't roll you in the snowdrifts, because you are women, but I can and will hold your men folks responsible."

Half an hour later he was inquiring at Taylor's if Miss Lee was there, and again he stopped at Riker's. But he did not find her until he drove up to the schoolhouse. She sat there alone with her things on, and the open stove door was her candle. She had felt too weak and discouraged to face the storm, and didn't much care whether any one came for her or not.

"Miss Lee, I've come to take you home for the night," said Abner, as he entered the building.

"But why do you come?" she asked in surprise.

"Because I have constituted myself your champion. There won't be any more gossip. I'm ashamed of the people, but you'll see a change tomorrow."

"Why—what have you done?" she asked between her sobs.

"Licked three or four men, promised to lick three or four more and told a dozen women what I thought about them," he laconically replied.

"But you'll—you'll"—

"Ask you to marry me? No, I won't—I'll be hanged if I do! Come along with me, and we'll pick up Sister Sarah at Saunders'."

"And you won't—won't"—

"Talk love? Not a word. I know you are ready to throw up the school and go back home, but don't give up. I've got my fists toughened up and want to use 'em often."

And when the summer days came and she closed her school with kind words from all she grasped the hand of Abner Joy and said:

"Abner, I have met a man down here—just one—and I hate to say goodby to him."

"Then why don't you come back and let him do some more fighting for you?" he asked.

"I—I guess I will if you—you want me to," she replied as she drove away, and three months later she did.

Two Ways of Looking at It.

After the battle of Gettysburg a member of the sanitary commission ran across in the country some miles from the town a Dutch farmer who said he had never seen soldiers. "And why haven't you seen them?" the question was put. "Why didn't you get your gun, go into town and help drive them out?"

"Why," said the farmer, "a feller might 'a' got hit."

A woman who lived in a little house close to the battlefield viewed the danger in a different spirit.

She was a red cheeked, wholesome young body who looked well after the ways of her household. She was asked if she felt afraid when the shells flew.

"Well, no," she replied. "You see, I was busy baking bread for the soldiers, and I had my dough raising. The neighbors ran into the cellars, but, of course I couldn't leave my bread. When the first shell burst into the window and tore into the room an officer came in and said to me, 'You better get out of this,' but I told him I couldn't leave my bread. I kneaded the dough until the third shell crashed into the room; then I went down cellar. But first I put my bread safe into the oven."

Incense In Japan.

Japan is a land of incense. Mr. Lafcadio Hearn has told us in his delightful way about the incense of the temples. He says: "It makes one element of the faint but complex and never to be forgotten odor of the far east. It haunts the dwelling house not less than the temple, the home of the peasant not less than the yashiki of the prince. Shinto shrines, indeed, are free from it, incense being an abomination to the older gods, but wherever Buddhism lives there is incense. In every house containing a Buddhist shrine or Buddhist tablets incense is burned at certain times, and in even the rudest country solitudes you will find incense smoldering before wayside images—little stone figures of Fudo, Jizo or Kwannon."

The costlier kinds of incense, instead of in rods, come in the form either of pastilles, wafers and lozenges or loose powder, and thus take the place of the western lady's sachet.

Odors of Cities.

A European writer has discovered that each city has its own peculiar odor. Paris is perfumed by a faint odor of charcoal. London smells of soot. The aroma of garlic greets the new arrival at Calais. Moscow has a perfume of its own, cranberries of peculiar pungency. St. Petersburg suggests old leather boots.

ANCIENT CHAIRS.

The Seats Used by the Egyptians In Early Historic Times.

Seats more or less resembling stools—that is, seats without backs—were in general use among nations possessing a certain degree of civilization in prehistoric times. What those were like in the early historic period we know from an examination of Egyptian monuments, from a study of Greek vases or from Etruscan or Roman antiquities that are stored in European museums. The Egyptian deities are seated generally on granite blocks, the backs of which are raised a few inches only, giving a distant resemblance to a chair. That the Egyptians had seats more comfortable for domestic use is possible, but we have every reason to suppose, although they possessed a high degree of civilization, that their idea of home comforts was not that of modern times.

The common people probably sat on blocks of stone or wood or sprawled about on the ground with some sort of carpet that also served for a bed. The Etruscans, ancient inhabitants of Italy before the arrival of the Romans, appear to have preferred the reclining posture, in which they are usually represented on the sarcophaguses in the museums.

WHEN YOU CAN'T SLEEP.

Just Pretend You Don't Want to and You'll Soon Drop Off.

When we are kept awake from our fatigue the first thing to do is to say over and over to ourselves that we do not care whether we go to sleep or not. In order to imbue ourselves with a healthy indifference about it. It will help toward gaining this wholesome indifference to say: "I am too tired to sleep, and therefore the first thing for me to do is to get rested in order to prepare for sleep. When my brain is well rested it will go to sleep; it cannot help it. When it is well rested it will sleep just as naturally as my lungs breathe or as my heart beats."

Another thing to remember, and it is very important, is that an overtired brain needs more than the usual hour's rest. If I declare I'm awake for an hour, and it is three hours after your head touched a cup or a cup of tea, if you are awake for another two hours take half a cup more and so on. Two cups of about two hours, say 1 p. m., if you are awake throughout the night. Tea milk is nourishing and so are tea. It is not inadvisable to have tea by the side of one's bed, and a little salt eaten and a spirit lamp.—Leslie's Weekly.

WOODEN BREAD.

It Is Possible to Make a Palatable Loaf From Sawdust.

As long ago as 1834 Professor Auterith of Tubingen succeeded in making a tolerably good quartern loaf out of a deal board. Everything soluble was removed by maceration and boiling; the wood was then reduced to fibers, dried in an oven and ground, when it had the taste and smell of corn flour. A sponge was then made by the addition of water and the sour leaven of corn flour, and it was baked and found to be better than a compound of bran and corn husks.

Wood flour boiled in water forms also a nutritious jelly, which the professor found both palatable and wholesome in the form of gruel, dumplings and pancakes.

Professor Braude has also recorded the making of bread from woody fiber. He says: "Before me is a specimen imported from Sweden. Seeing the close relation between the composition of starch and lignine, the conversion of the latter into bread does not seem so remarkable." He also cannot praise the quality of such bread.

Spots on the Fur of Animals.

Although we are told that the leopard cannot change his spots, it is certain that the markings on the fur of some animals do change. Especially is this true where the animal has a distinctive winter coat. This change has been studied by Barrett Hamilton, a British naturalist, who is of opinion that whitening of the fur generally accompanies development of fatty tissue, which is manifestation of insufficient oxidation and hence of atrophy, which shows itself in a whitening of the hair. In some animals—man for instance—this atrophy is manifested by baldness. That fat men are often bald is thus something more than a coincidence.—Success.

The Tick of a Clock.

The "tick tock" that is universally regarded as the sound of both pendulum and spring clocks has been investigated by Dr. Rosenbach, a Berlin psychologist. He finds that the "tick" results when the right arm of the escapement anchor strikes a cog of the wheel moving upward, while the "tock" is produced when the other arm strikes a cog moving downward. The different conditions give different acoustic effects.

Unreasonable.

"What are you kicking about?" asked the lawyer.

"Why, we won the case," replied the client, "but I can't see what I get out of it."

"You get enough to pay your lawyer's fees, don't you? What more do you want?"—Chicago Post.

Nothing Like the "Old School."

"I wish I could send my boy to the old school," said Hawkins. "These gentlemen of the old school always seem to know everything."

I consider time as a treasure, decreasing every night, and that which every day diminishes soon perishes forever.—Sir William Jones.

On the Trail of a Maltese

By F. B. WRIGHT

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It was the kitten that began it, the Maltese kitten whose name was Dot, though it was usually called by any endearing epithet which came handy. It ought not to have tired of the paper ball provided for it, nor gone on a tour of exploration into the hall, nor then into Graham's studio. But the last was Graham's fault, because he had neglected to close the studio door when he went out.

Of course, Miss Mabel Hastings had to get her pet, and, of course, as the kitten would not come at her call, the only way was to go into the studio after it.

She found it after a considerable search sitting serenely beneath the big chair under the long studio window. With the kitten safe in her arms she should have gone back to her interrupted work. She did not, however. She listened to the voice of the tempter, who told her that her opportunity was come at last; that having seen so much it was no harm to see a little more, and that no one would know. She had wanted for a long while to know what Graham's studio was like, and it fit salted with him, and a number of other things.

It is the first step that counts. From a general survey Miss Hastings descended to a particular examination. She tiptoed across the room, glanced at the books and inspected the Japanese ivories in a cabinet on the wall. Then, having imbrued one finger, as it were, and nothing having happened, there seemed to be no reason why she should not dip in her whole hand. Besides, if Graham should come, she had the kitten for excuse. It was to the kitten, she talked as she wandered about.

"He wouldn't care at my looking at his pictures, kitty," she confided as she rummaged in a stack of canvases, "and anyway if he doesn't want them looked at why does he put them with their faces to the wall? He ought to know that that would make any one—any one desire to see them. I wonder if they are rejected pictures and if he hates to see them as I do that pile of rejected stories of mine. Perhaps that is why he leaves them wrong side out. Hum! 'Spring Scene.' Rather good, I should say. 'Italian Peasant Girl.' I don't think much of her. Old man with pipe, moonlight or sunrise or something. It's pretty, but I can't make it out. Just look at the dust behind them, too. It's all over my skirt. It would be a giveaway if he should come. Only I'd say I got it hunting for you. Did you ever see anything like this table, Dot? I wish I dared straighten it up. He needs some one to keep things in order. Bachelors are so untidy, which shows that they were never intended by heaven to remain bachelors, for order is heaven's first law. It must be nice, though, to feel above obeying it."

She moved about the room as she talked, studying the sketches on the wall, testing the softness of the divan, feeling the texture of the tapestries, running her finger along the mantelshelf and looking at it with mock horror.

"It's just the kind of studio I thought he'd have, Dotless. It's just like him—big, sunny and not too many books nor too many curios nor cluttered up with furniture. I don't like a finicky man nor a booky man, and he isn't either. I knew he wasn't. Is that the model's throne over there, I wonder—that platform? It doesn't seem to have been used much, and yet he's been painting this morning. I'm going to see what it is. It's covered by a curtain, but a peep won't hurt any one."

The easel stood in the corner by a table littered with half squeezed tubes, brushes, palettes and paint rags, as if the painter had thrown them down in a sudden heat of exasperation over the inadequacy of his art.

Mabel drew the curtain from the picture and then sat down hastily on the painting stool. It was her own picture she was looking at—her own and yet not her own. Not the everyday, story writing, money worried Mabel Hastings whom her looking glass reflected, but a girl clad in some soft, exquisite clinging eastern fabric, reclining gracefully in a deep chair of inlaid ebony. There were jewels gleaming in the meshes of her coiled hair, and row upon row of pearls clasped the delicately curved throat. Her hands were playing with the roses in her lap. Her eyes were dreamy.

"Now, how did he know, Kitkins, that I cared for roses?" said Mabel when, after the first moments of surprise, she settled herself in critical delight, chin in hand, before the picture. "And such roses—dream roses—just opening to the June dr. How did he know—if it is me? I suppose it isn't me really, but I like to think it is—and indeed it looks like me or as I might look if I had beautiful things and dwelt in a fairy palace. Only, I'm afraid, kit, that I'm not half so pretty as that girl. She hasn't any bother about making her purse fit her necessities nor trying to make stories end nicely. I don't think she writes at all, that girl—there's no ink on her fingers. And yet I just know it is, and I'm rather glad—only, of course, it's horribly impertinent in him; you can't know how impertinent.

"And the pearls! Did he put them around my neck for effect or to show how well he could paint them? Maybe—maybe he wanted just to give them to me. It was very extravagant of him, kit. I'm sure he can't afford them, and, of course, I can't accept them. I'll have to say I'm greatly obliged, but I couldn't think of accepting them—only I'd like to.

"Then, too, there's nothing I could give him in return—at least nothing he'd want. I can't make him any nicer than he is, and so in our stories I put him in just as I see him—only sometimes he's rich and sometimes poor and sometimes a soldier and sometimes an artist. I don't know why he will insist on getting into my stories, but he does. That's all I can do for him, Fuzzikins, and that isn't much, for they often reject him. The editors, being crusty and cantankerous and—homely old bachelors, are probably jealous. If—if I were an editor, Kathkin, and he should come for my acceptance, I don't think I'd reject him—only I'm not an editor, and so he'll never know.

"Do you suppose he painted me because he wanted to—because he liked me and wanted me to have beautiful things or just to make a picture that would sell? He needs me to sit for him, though. That mouth is not quite right—and the eyes"—

"That's what's bothering me, the eyes," said a voice. "I knew they were not right, but I've had so little chance to observe"—

Mabel jumped and felt the blood surging up into her face. Graham was standing by the easel, smiling down at her.

"I—I came after my cat," she said confusedly. "It came in here, and I had to get it. You left your door open, you know, and"—Miss Hastings rallied her forces for a defensive attack—"and then I saw this picture, a picture of me."

"I thought I left it covered," said Graham.

She deigned no answer. "Isn't it usual to ask the sitter's permission before doing the painting?" she said coldly.

"How do you know it is you?"

"Why, any one can see it is. It's hardly brave of you to try to get off of it that way. It's just like me."

"It is a beautiful face."

"I didn't mean that," she retorted hotly, "and if it is you had no right to make me ridiculous in those things or to paint me at all."

"I supposed I would," he said, coolly, but about for a picture in it to sound it.

"What are you doing?" asked Mabel faintly.

"Dressing it in rags, for I can't. You see my whole heart and skill have gone into it, all my dreams and hopes and ideals, and I can't." He handed the knife to her.

She took it, but did not use it. "I don't know how," she said, "and I don't think I want to. Can't I have it? It's my picture."

"The mouth is wrong, you said, and the eyes. I couldn't let anything wrong go out."

"You might correct it."

"It would take a lifetime."

"I don't think I'd mind so very much if it did," whispered Miss Mabel Hastings, "not even if it took forever."

It was some moments later that Mabel thought to look for the Maltese kitten, which had somehow tumbled to the floor. "When you retouch the picture, Ned—Ned, dear," she said, "couldn't you put Dot in somewhere? I think Dotless deserves a reward, don't you?"

And Graham agreed.

At the Rainbow's End.

"Several years ago," said an old actor, "Richard Mansfield and I were traveling together with a company in North Carolina. Hard luck followed us everywhere we went, and salaries were long overdue.

"'Let's disband,' three or four members suggested.

"'Wait until we get to Raleigh,' pleaded Mansfield. 'We always play to big business there.' And he exhibited a telegram received from the manager of the opera house which said that every seat in the house had been sold.

"This hint cheered the disheartened company, and all went to Raleigh with light hearts. Arriving at the station, most of the company scrambled inside an omnibus. Mansfield and I mounted the seat with the driver and studied the landscape.

"'Beautiful, isn't it?' Mansfield exclaimed, and I nodded my head.

"'And the sunset—it's simply grand!' he continued.

"'Sunset!' repeated the driver. 'Where is any sunset?'

"'Why, over there,' said Mansfield, pointing to a red glare on the horizon.

"'That's no sunset,' replied the driver, with a look of disgust on his face. 'That's the op'ry house burnin' down.'"

The Legend of St. Denis.

St. Denis was a wanderer in the wilds of the Thessalonian forests for the space of seven years. The strange foods that he ate and the constant companionship of nothing but beasts and birds had a startling effect. His fingers grew claws, and his hair became as the fine feathers of an eagle's neck and breast. Finally, when nearly heartbroken by the changes that his wild life was making in body and mind, he wandered over to a fine looking mulberry tree and ate heartily of the fruit. The tree was enchanted, and partaking of its fruit brought a change more terrible than all his other transformations—he lost every semblance to a man, instantly changing his shape and likeness to those of a deer. He lay down under a tree and bemoaned his fate in these words: "I was of late a man, but now a horned beast; I was a soldier, but now a prey for dogs. My bed of down I must exchange for moss, and music for howling winds." While thus lamenting his fate the tree spoke to him in words of cheer, informing him that in seven years he would be a man again, "which," the account says, "did truly come to pass."

HER PRECIOUS SPOONS.

She Used Them For Show at Luncheon With Disastrous Results.

Considerable quiet laughter has been going on among the guests at a luncheon given by a young West Philadelphia bride the other day to the attendants at her wedding. There had been among the hostess' presents at the time of her marriage a particularly beautiful set of spoons, and, while she had no occasion to use them at this particular luncheon, she thought that she would put one beside each cover for—well, just for instance.

Unfortunately, however, there was one stranger in the merry little company which sat down about the table, a pretty, outspoken, somewhat "gushy" young woman from the west, and it was she who caused all the trouble.

As the luncheon neared its end and it became apparent that the spoons were not for use she kept eying the one at her place, and finally she burst forth with this flash of inspiration:

"These spoons—what perfectly lovely souvenirs!"

The chorus of praise was immediately taken up by all about the board. The confused hostess found explanation impossible, and every guest went away from the house with one of those precious spoons.—Philadelphia Press.

GOING SCOT FREE.

The Source From Which This Old Saying Emanated.

The origin of the old saying, "Going scot free," is this: Scot, from the Anglo-Saxon "sceot," a portion, signified in old law a customary tax or contribution laid on subjects according to their ability and elaborated all parochial assessments. The conclusion is obvious—namely, that to escape "scot free" was to avoid all such payments of dues and taxes.

Before the reform act the right to vote for parliamentary and municipal officers was vested exclusively in payers of "scot and lot." Bastah, (1558) speaks of it as a certain tallage for the use of the sheriff or his bailiff, and in Kent the usual rates laid by Romney marsh for repairing sea walls are known by the same name.

"Scot," says Camden, "is that which from various sources is gathered into one heap"—literally that which is "shot" into a general fund. From the Dutch and low German "schot." This may have come to us through the old French "escot," diner a escot, to dine at an ordinary where each guest paid his "shot," and any one who did not contribute would be said to go off "scot free."—London Answers.

THE WORD HUMBUG.

There Are Various Plausible Explanations of Its Origin.

The word "humbug" has been traced back to the title page of "The Universal Jester, a choice collection of merry conceits, bonmots and humbugs, by Ferdinando Killigrew, London, 1735-40." The following are the most plausible and possible derivations:

In the time of James II. a worthless coin was minted at Dublin from a soft mixed metal, which became known as tiini bog, pronounced Coomiog—i. e., soft copper, worthless money.

Some see in it a corruption of Hamburg, from which town so many false reports came during the war of 1799-1806 that such news was received with "Oh, that is a Hamburg!"

Others refer it to hum, in the sense of hoax, and bug, in the old sense of bugbear. Others say it is merely hum buzz, used in combination to signify sound without sense. Others, again, think that it was first applied to Homberg, a chemist and an ardent seeker of the philosopher's stone.—Notes and Queries.

Drawing Two Things at Once.

At an evening party it was remarked that nobody could draw two things at once. Sir Edward Landseer, who was present, replied that he thought he could, and, taking a pencil in each hand, he drew simultaneously and without hesitation with the right hand the profile of a stag's head and all its antlers complete and, with the left hand a lovely horse's head. The acts of draftsmanship were strictly simultaneous and not alternate, and the drawing by the left hand was as good as that by the right.

Von Bulow's Advice to a Girl.

It is to Dr. von Bulow that is debited the curt criticism of a young and very pretty girl's effort on the pianoforte. When she had struggled through one of Bach's fugues after the fashion of the ambitious maiden aspirant and asked the great master what he would advise her to do, "Go and get married," he answered as he turned away and left her.

Fortune Through Failure.

"I owe my success in life to politics."

"Why, I didn't know that you had ever held office."

"I never have, but I ran for office once and got so badly beaten that I turned from politics in disgust and took up the line that has brought me a fortune."—Chicago Record-Herald.

She Drew the Line.

Magistrate—Will you take this man to be your lawful husband, to love, honor and obey him? Miranda—Look hyar, jedge, I'll 'gree to wash an' iron fer dis ungeh, but I ain't gwine ter 'low him ter boss me!—Butte Inter Mountain.

Never Hits It.

Gadsby—That fellow Noseads is a regular fortune hunter. Rayner—Well, he's a mighty poor shot.—Judge.

The deeper the sorrow the less tongue hath it.—Talmud.

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What Shall We Have for Dessert?
The question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it to-day. Try Jell-O, a delicious and healthful dessert. Prepared in two minutes. No boiling! no baking! simply add boiling water and set to cool. Flavors—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. Get a package at your grocers to-day.

City Shaving Parlors,
ELWOOD GASKIN, Prop.
Shaving and Hair Dressing
—In the latest style of Art.—
None but first-class workmen employed.
Shining Chair.

The Upright Judge.

A New York magistrate and his friend were returning from a banquet arm in arm and were giving way to mirth and song when they found themselves confronted by the police. The magistrate made his escape, but on the following day as he sat on the bench, "grave, dignified and alert, as usual," he saw his dear and valued friend charged with being drunk and disorderly. He listened to the charge unmoved beyond a pained expression on his face and, after calling upon the prisoner to explain his conduct, addressed him in his most severely judicial manner and in scathing tones. Never had he heard a more disgraceful case, and it was so much the more disgraceful from the fact that the prisoner evidently was respectably connected and moved in what was called (here he became very sarcastic) good society. He felt it was a matter where leniency would be surely out of place, and the fine must be the maximum which the law allowed.

Extraordinary Legal Document.

One of the most remarkable legal papers on file in the archives of the world is one now in the National museum of Paris, labeled "Sentence on a hog, executed by justice in the copyhold of Clairmont-Avin and strangled upon a gibbet at that place." It is sealed with red wax, kept under a glass, bears date of June 14, 1491, and reads as follows: "We, the jury, in detestation and horror of this crime and in order to make an example and to satisfy justice, have declared, judged, sentenced, pronounced and appointed that the said hog, now detained in the abbey as a prisoner, shall by the executioner be hung and strangled on a gibbet near the gallows which now stands within the jurisdiction of the monk, being near the copyhold of Avin. In witness of which we have sealed this present with our seals." Following the above are the signatures of the jurors and the prefect of the department de la Aisne.

Old Italian in Corsica.

The Italian who travels in Corsica is delighted to hear almost everywhere around him the obsolete expressions and terminations of Dante, while even the Englishman unacquainted with the "Comedy" is surprised at the sound of Latin words which he thought had fallen entirely into oblivion, such as "Nimo" for "Nessuno" and "Greve" for "Pesante," or with Latinized forms of current words, such as "Piuva" for "Pioggia," "Isia" for "Questa," and "Ejo" for "Io."

The Corsican, however, is an older Italian than that even of the mediæval poet. It is less specialized on the whole than his, having points of contact with the other dialects, particularly those of Calabria and Sicily, and with the literary languages of Spain and Portugal.—"Studies in Corsica."

The Funny Bone.

A most unpleasant sensation is caused by the violent excitation of the ulnar nerve due to a blow on the elbow. This nerve passes down on the inner side of the arm and then rather inconsiderately bends round and enters the forearm at the back of the elbow joint. Any one who has felt his neighbor's elbow sticking into his ribs knows that the elbow is remarkably deficient in flesh. The nerve is therefore at this point very near the surface and has little to shield it from a blow. If we are so unfortunate as to give our elbow a smart tap we obtain a practical confirmation of the fact that the ulnar nerve is the principal sensory nerve of the forearm and hand.

People Who Rarely Wink.

There are people who rarely wink. How they manage to get along without doing so is a marvel, but somehow or other they do. Some eyes are naturally more moist than others, and the very moist eye does not so much need the assistance of the lids to keep the eyeball bright. It is a constitutional matter, for winking, though under the control of the will, is done so quickly that it is practically an involuntary action. Men wink when they feel that the eye is uncomfortably dry, and when it does not become dry the necessity for winking is not felt.

To Preserve the Color of Flowers.

A way to preserve the colors of flowers when pressing them is to immerse the stem of the fresh plant in a solution of 31 grains of alum 4 of niter and 180 of water for a day or two, until the liquid is absorbed, then press the plant in the usual way, sift some dry sand over the flower and submit to a gentle heat for about twenty hours.

Eggs In the Nest.

All birds have a systematic arrangement in depositing their eggs in the nest, and there are very few species, if any, in which some peculiarity is not to be seen, if careful observation is made. Many birds so plainly and invariably show a tendency to a set arrangement that their habit is generally known.

Dodge the Shadows.

Why destroy present happiness by a distant misery which may never come at all, or you may never live to see it? Every substantial grief has twenty shadows, and most of them shadows of your own making.—Sydney Smith.

One and Only.

Roxley—I hear you are engaged to marry Miss Oldgold, the heiress. Shortun—That's right. Roxley—Any incumbrances on her property? Shortun—None—er—except Miss Oldgold.—Illustrated Bits.

Big Figures.

"My dear Miss Moneybags," said the impecunious young man, "I love you more than I can find words to tell."

"But I presume you could tell me in figures," rejoined the beautiful heiress in icy tones.

His Deserter.

Judge—The complaint against you is that you deserted your wife. Prisoner—I ain't a deserter, judge. I'm a refugee. Look at these welts on my head and this black eye.—Chicago Tribune.

STATEMENT
OF THE
Finances of McKean County
FOR THE
Year Ending January 4th 1904.

A. W. BOYD, Treasurer of McKean county, in account with the several funds of said county, for the fiscal year ending Jan. 4th, 1904.

COUNTY FUNDS.

Dr.

To balance due fund Jan. 5th, 1903	$24261 50	
To transferred from State fund	10129 36	
To one-fifth of $16370.00, Liquor licenses	3350 00	
To three-fourths of State tax from Auditor General	8829 45	
To one-half of 4 Non-Resident hunters license	20 00	
To 1 Motor Vehicle License less Treas. fee	2 85	
To Jury fees, fines, &c., received from Sheriff	1499 81	
To miscellaneous receipts from Commissioners	88 00	
To Seated taxes collected	90387 39	
To Unseated taxes collected	6160 08	$84823 44

Cr.

By County orders paid	69885 97	
By County Supt. Schools on account Teachers' Inst.	200 00	
By Treasurer's commissions	1258 32	
By balance due County fund in hands of Treas.	13479 75	$84823 44

POOR FUND.

Dr.

To balance due fund Jan. 5th, 1903	4215 45	
To Seated taxes collected	13277 11	
To Unseated taxes collected	4092 66	
To Miscellaneous Poor Receipts	3813 52	25398 74

POOR FUNDS.

Cr.

By Poor Orders Paid	25116 83	
By Treasurer's commissions	625 03	
By balance due Poor fund in hands of Treas.	5166 28	25398 74

STATE FUND.

Dr.

To balance due fund Jan. 5th, 1903	10129 36	
To Taxes collected	11545 30	21674 66

STATE FUND.

Cr.

By Transferred to County fund	10129 36	
By Treasurer's commissions	288 93	
By balance due State fund in hands of Treas.	11256 67	21674 66

DOG FUND.

Dr.

To balance due fund Jan 5th, 1903	200 00	
To taxes collected	2953 18	3153 18

DOG FUND.

Cr.

By Sheep Orders paid	968 76	
By Transferred to School funds	1826 16	
By Treasurer's commissions	58 33	
By balance due fund in hands of Treas.	300 00	3153 18

LAW LIBRARY FUND.

Dr.

To balance due fund Jan. 5th, 1903	44 92	
To ½ fines received from Sheriff	37 50	82 42

LAW LIBRARY FUND.

Cr.

By paid Secretary Committees	44 92	
By Treasurer's commission	94	
By balance due fund in hands of Treas.	36 56	82 42

REDEMPTION FUND.

Dr.

To balance due fund Jan. 5th, 1903	3599 17	
To amount received	106 04	3705 21

REDEMPTION FUND.

Cr.

By orders paid and Deeds Surrendered	184 40	
By balance due fund in hands of Treasurer	3810 81	3995 21

FISH COMMISSION FUND.

Dr.

To Fines Collected	70 00	70 00

FISH COMMISSION FUND.

Cr.

By paid H. C. Demuth, Treas.	61 75	
By paid W. E. Meehan, Commissioner	4 75	
By Treasurer's commissions	3 50	70 00

CHAS. E. MAYS, Sheriff of McKean County, in account with said County for the fiscal year ending Jan. 4th, 1904.

CHAS. E. MAYS, Sheriff.

Dr.

To amount received from Commissioners on account	3200 00	
To one year's wages of Turnkey received	480 00	
To Commonwealth costs collected	1223 81	
To fines collected to date	75 00	
To amount Quarter Sessions and Common Pleas Jury fees and cases not prossed collected	139 00	
To amount to balance	12 20	5239 51

CHAS. E. MAYS, Sheriff.

Cr.

By Election Proclamations for Feb and Nov.	32 00	
By attendance at criminal court	63 00	
By making report to State board charities	10 00	
By two days computing election returns	8 00	
By check to Treas. for fines collected	75 00	
By check to Treas. for Commonwealth costs collected to date	1223 81	
By check to Treas. for Quarter Session jury fees	91 00	
By check to Treas. cases not prossed	4 00	
By check to Treas. Common Pleas jury fees collected	44 00	
By 5% on $75.00 fines collected	2 25	
By taking prisoners to the Penitentiary	362 65	
By drawing and summoning jurors and ret. venires	226 40	
By board of prisoners to date	2014 00	5239 51

DR. B. H. HALL, Coroner of McKean County, in account with said County for the year ending Jan. 4th, 1904.

B. H. HALL, Coroner.

Dr.

To amount orders drawn on account	30 57	
To balance due	50 37	80 94

B. H. HALL, Coroner.

Cr.

By balance due last Auditor's report 1903	24 57	
By Inquests, mileage and fees	74 37	98 94

RECEIPTS OF McKEAN COUNTY.

To amount in County Treas. Jan. 5th, 1903	24361 50	
To amount Liquor License received	3200 00	
To amount transferred from State fund	10129 36	
To ½ of State tax from Auditor General	8829 45	
To amount non-resident hunter's license received	20 00	
To amount motor vehicle	2 85	
To amount Jury fees, fines, etc., received from Sheriff during the year 1903	1499 81	
To amount miscellaneous receipts from Commissioners	88 00	
To amount Seated taxes collected	90387 39	
To amount Unseated taxes collected	6160 08	84823 44

EXPENDITURES OF McKEAN COUNTY.

By amt. paid Albert Peterson, Commissioner, balance 1902	197 26	
By amt. paid George Griffiths, Commissioner, on account	910 50	
By amt. paid J. A. Peterson, Commissioner, on account	881 00	
By amt. paid W. P. Walsh, Commissioner, on account	915 25	
By amt. paid S. D. Weaver, Commissioners' Clerk	1000 00	
By amt. paid Extra Clerical Clerks	762 25	
By amt. paid T. F. Richmond, Commissioner's Council	381 75	
By amt. paid W. E. Clarke, Sheriff, bal. from 1903	157 27	
By amt. paid Chas. E. Mays, Sheriff, on account	3200 00	
By amt. paid State Treasurer, State tax for 1902	11772 00	
By amt. paid County Auditors for 1902	424 44	
By amt. paid Jury Commissioners and Clerk	320 80	
By amt. paid S. G. Bush, Janitor	600 00	
By amt. paid J. H. Beiver, Turnkey	480 00	
By amt. paid M. J. Welsh, Night Watch	120 00	
By amt. paid Constables, returns	445 92	
By amt. paid Justice fees and discharged transcripts	640 52	
By amt. paid Stenographer	883 15	
By amt. paid Court Crier and Tipstaves	688 16	
By amt. paid Commonwealth costs	5160 36	
By amount paid Taxes Refunded	42 25	
By amount paid Pennsylvania Reform School	1106 51	
By amount paid grand jurors	763 10	
By amount paid Traverse Jurors	3887 90	
By amount paid Assessors for Assessing	4775 60	
By amount paid Assessor for Registering Voters	2366 [illegible]	
By amount paid Election expenses	4061 33	
By amount paid Jail Expenses	1109 28	
By amount paid Western Penitentiary for keeping prisoners	1669 44	
By amount paid Publishing and Printing	302 40	
By amount paid Road Views and damages	116 40	
By amount paid Freight, Telegrams, Telephone and Postage	217 92	
By amount paid Insurance	50 00	
By amount paid Fuel and lights	908 40	
By amount paid Court House expenses	4066 92	
By amount paid Coroner's Inquests and fees	109 78	
By amount paid Indigent Soldiers's burial	420 00	
By amount paid Books and Stationery	1701 70	
By amount paid Bridge expense	7280 85	
By amount paid Water Company	235 00	
By amount paid Recorder, Prothonotary, Clk. Court fees	989 51	
By amount paid Traveling expenses	53 60	
By amount paid Fire Wardens	122 81	
By amount paid Fish Commissioners	60 00	
By amount paid Miscellaneous expenses	245 00	
By amount paid Teachers' Institute	200 00	
By amount paid A. W. Boyd, Treasurer's commissions	1258 32	
By amount paid balance due fund in Treasury	13479 75	84823 44

COUNTY ASSETS.

Amount due County from funds in hands of Treas.	13479 75	
Amount due County from Uncollected taxes	21528 82	
Amount due County from Fish Commission	45 00	
Amount due County from State account Fire Wardens	61 41	
Amount due County from State tax transferred to County fund	11550 07	
Amount due County from State Treas. state tax 1903	9101 98	55836 03

COUNTY LIABILITIES.

Commonwealth costs (estimated)	200 00	
Outstanding bills, sundry items (estimated)	500 00	
Amount due State Treas. account state tax for 1902	3664 79	
Amount due Western Penitentiary for 1902	1532 80	
Amount due Penna. Reform School for 1903	170 64	
Amount due Assets, in excess of liabilities	49671 71	55836 03

NOTE.

Assets in excess of liabilities for year 1902	53671 71	
Assets in excess of liabilities for year 1903	51940 30	
Net gain in assets over year 1902	1731 51	

RECEIPTS OF POOR FUND.

To amount in Treas. Jan. 5th, 1903	4215 45	
To amount Seated taxes collected	13277 11	
To amount Unseated taxes collected	4092 66	
To amount Miscellaneous receipts collected	1813 52	25398 74

EXPENDITURES OF POOR FUND.

By amount paid Albert Peterson, Commissioner, balance 1902	84 75	
By amount paid George Griffiths, Commissioner	122 00	
By amount paid J. A. Peterson, Commissioner	191 00	
By amount paid W. P. Walsh, Commissioner	68 25	
By amount paid S. D. Weaver, Commissioner's Clerk	200 00	
By amount paid T. F. Richmond, Commissioners' Solicitor	127 50	
By amount paid outside relief	3005 05	
By amount paid County Auditors	168 00	
By amount paid State Insane Asylums	8145 22	
By amount paid Feeble Minded Institute, Polk, Pa.	169 85	
By amount paid Justice fees	117 40	
By amount paid Farm expenses	1007 65	
By amount paid salary of Superintendent and all other employes	3144 11	
By amount paid Traveling expenses	811 06	
By amount paid taxes refunded	25 37	
By amount paid examinations in lunacy	55 00	
By amount paid Provisions for County Home	1052 39	
By amount paid Clothing for County Inmates	221 11	
By amount paid Furniture for County Home	299 75	
By amount paid Dr. H. L. McCoy, Physician for County Home	337 50	
By amount paid medicines and supplies	245 78	
By amount paid publishing and printing	78 00	
By amount paid Freight, Telephone, Express and Postage	42 94	
By amount paid Insurance	98 00	
By amount paid Fuel and lights	1021 00	
By amount paid Building and Improvements	1399 83	
By amount paid ordinary repairs	21 01	
By amount paid Books and Stationery	6 50	
By amount paid Caskets	145 80	
By amount paid Furnishings	300 16	
By amount paid Blacksmithing	75 15	
By amount paid on Maggie Ross Property	500 00	
By amount paid Interest	80 00	
By amount paid A. W. Boyd, Treas., commissions	625 03	
By amount paid balance due fund in Treas. Jan. 4th, 1904	5166 28	25238 74

POOR ASSETS.

Amount due from funds in hands of Treas. Jan. 4th, 1904	5166 28	
Amount due from Uncollected taxes	7801 03	
Amount due from sundry accounts outstanding	800 00	13867 31

POOR LIABILITIES.

Amount sundry bills outstanding	550 00	
Amount Assets in excess of liabilities	13267 31	13817 31

NOTE.

Assets in excess of liabilities for year 1903	13267 31	
Assets in excess of liabilities for year 1902	12690 17	
Net gain in assets over year 1902	117 04	

COMMISSIONERS' ACCOUNT.

GEORGE GRIFFITHS, JOHN A. PETERSON and WILLIAM P. WALSH, in account with McKean County Poor District, for the fiscal year ending Jan. 4th, 1904.

GEORGE GRIFFITHS, Commissioner

Dr.

To orders drawn from County fund during 1903	910 50	
To orders drawn from Poor fund during 1903	122 00	
To due Griffiths from County fund	18 00	
To due Griffiths from Poor fund	18 00	1068 50

Cr.

By 303 days as Commissioner County fund at $3.50	920 50	
By 30 days as Commissioner Poor fund at $3.50	140 00	1060 50

JOHN A. PETERSON, Commissioner.

Dr.

To orders from County fund during 1903	881 00	
To orders from Poor fund during 1903	181 00	
To balance due Peterson from County fund	49 00	
To balance due Peterson from Poor fund	30 75	1060 75

Cr.

By 264 days as Commissioner from County fund at $3.50	924 00	
By 46½ days as Commissioner from Poor fund at $3.50	162 75	1060 75

WILLIAM P. WALSH, Commissioner.

Dr.

To orders drawn from County fund during 1903	915 25	
To orders drawn from Poor fund during 1903	68 25	
To balance due Walsh from County Fund	84 00	
To balance due Walsh from Poor fund	14 00	1081 50

Cr.

By 285½ days as Commissioner from County fund at $3.50	999 25	
By 23½ days as Commissioner from Poor fund at $3.50	82 25	1081 50

STATEMENT

Showing the cost of keeping each inmate per week at the County Home for the fiscal year ending Jan. 4th, 1904.

Total cost of keeping inmates	7929 54	7929 54
Boarding inmates 2080 weeks at $3.81 per Week	7929 54	7929 54

STATEMENT showing the amount of State, County, Poor and Dog Tax charged, amount received and balance due from the several districts for the year 1903, subject to commissions and exonerations.

DISTRICTS.	STATE TAX. Charged	Paid	Due	COUNTY TAX. Charged	Paid	Due	POOR TAX. Charged	Paid	Due	DOG TAX. Charged	Paid	Due
Annin Township	$ 80 78	$ 59 58	$ 1 20	$ 594 78	$ 251 81	$ 342 97	$ 456 60	$ 201 63	$ 273 87	$ 120 00	$ 60 00	$ 60 00
Bradford, 1st W	931 15	309 60	644 42	3598 64	1101 10	2482 48				48 00	66 00	87 00
do 2nd "	1864 38	805 92	1938 46	2574 48	700 73	1723 71				57 00	18 00	64 00
do 3rd "	469 25	193 17	370 58	1330 52	494 30	1047 32				38 00	7 00	81 00
do 4th "	1801 75	885 54	1213 21	2110 45	687 84	1428 61				96 00	16 00	80 00
do 5th "	11 13	93 31	1 80	962 26	291 41	670 85				58 00	9 00	49 00
do 6th "	228 73	99 58	188 15	1100 13	321 65	778 48				70 00	33 00	86 00
Bradford Township	167 45	155 22	12 23	1897 90	1565 05	332 85	1518 32	1260 68	257 64	181 00	62 00	120 00
Ceres	84 10	30 00	14 10	880 61	502 66	377 95	461 49	188 66	276 83	102 00	52 00	72 00
Corydon	00 00	00 00	00 00	830 79	304 62	526 17	572 62	103 50	269 00	44 00	6 00	38 00
Eldred Borough	545 28	543 50	1 78	716 70	638 60	78 61	552 37	529 77	42 60	76 00	63 00	31 00
Eldred Township	62 21	30 00	12 21	830 70	684 55	146 15	694 56	518 57	175 99	145 00	46 99	98 01
Foster	320 00	321 33	1 47	1463 60	1253 82	211 78	1176 88	1000 92	176 96	174 00	174 00	60 00
Hamilton	73 80	72 00	1 80	814 81	611 12	203 72	654 87	487 78	167 09	81 00	54 00	27 00
Hamlin	95 09	34 84	60 25	1046 58	674 72	371 86	1672 47	580 03	592 80	229 00	30 99	218 01
Kane Boro, 1st W	136 88	131 56	25 82	894 52	836 72	317 80	582 63	578 91	224 07	39 00	8 00	31 00
do 2nd "	442 39	403 59	38 80	1046 21	696 89	358 82	835 73	650 42	284 71	49 00	13 00	36 00
do 3rd "	385 08	225 10	81 09	949 14	659 33	292 81	734 63	574 26	210 67	48 00	10 00	38 00
do 4th "	138 18	138 09	9 30	580 20	293 91	286 29	430 58	211 87	219 21	43 00	10 00	33 00
Keating Township	204 19	177 17	27 02	2100 38	1151 20	949 18	1080 70	919 17	760 91	261 00	45 00	216 00
Lafayette	7 94	7 94	00 00	1167 11	468 77	173 34	933 60	791 92	138 77	93 00	54 00	189 00
Liberty	59 12	30 44	16 68	1414 63	882 11	532 52	1131 70	703 05	428 65	169 00	38 80	190 40
Mt. Jewett Borough	288 40	256 36	12 04	882 91	501 25	381 66	706 33	506 71	314 62	88 00	24 00	64 00
Norwich Township	83 91	70 42	18 50	2183 76	1141 40	212 36	1528 01	1532 36	179 65	91 00	51 00	40 00
Otto "	101 15	95 17	5 98	953 85	779 09	174 26	762 68	638 91	123 77	73 00	33 00	40 00
Port Allegany Boro	588 18	526 44	56 74	1309 25	1146 45	162 80	1254 23	899 18	354 45	88 00	8 00	80 00
Sergeant Township	92 80	90 80	2 00	888 96	829 83	159 09	791 16	663 32	127 84	99 00	39 00	20 00
Smethport Borough	2084 90	2084 90	00 00	1300 94	1066 27	143 67	960 40	859 76	100 64	97 00	59 00	38 00
Wetmore township	164 69	86 80	47 89	1278 13	726 87	548 00	1920 42	580 45	439 97	70 00	22 00	48 00
Totals	12842 64	8310 84	4031 80	38108 12	22424 10	15744 02	30955 03	14948 61	6032 02	2787 00	930 58	1856 42

We, the undersigned Commissioners of McKean County and McKean County Poor District, do hereby certify that the foregoing statement of Assets and Liabilities are true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Attest: S. D. WEAVER, Commissioners' Clerk.

GEO. GRIFFITHS, JOHN A. PETERSON, W. P. WALSH, Commissioners of McKean County and McKean County Poor District.

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